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REMONSTRANCES AGAINST PHILIPSBURG LICENSES

Judge Orvis Asked to Refuse All Thirteen Applications.

WOMEN ON PETITIONS

General Remonstrance Also Special Petition Against Nine Retailers, Three Wholesalers and One Brewery—Ask For "Dry" Town.

Something of a stir was caused when on Friday last R. H. Gilbert, of Tyrone, walked into the Court House here and filed remonstrances againt every liquor license application from Philipsburg, Mr. Gilbert is the man who recently stirred up the people of Tyrone against liquor licenses in that town. That he was directing a similar movement against licenses in Philipsburg was not known here until he appeared at the Court House with bulky packages representing petitions signed by hundreds of men and women and calling on Judge Orvis to make Philipsburg a "dry town." Judge Orvis will hold license court on Saturday morning, next, and the Philipsburg cases promise to be the feature.

Thirteen liquor license applications have been filed from Philipsburg—nine retail, three wholesale and one brewery. A general remonstrance against all thirteen was filed by Mr. Gilbert. This is signed by over 300 men and women. A special remonstrance was also filed against each license application, signed by qualified voters.

In none of the remonstrances is it alleged that the law has been violated. The general remonstrance, also each special remonstrance, requests that a license be refused for the following reason:

"That such license to sell intoxicating liquors is not necessary for the accommodation of the public, and the entertainment of strangers and travelers."

The twelve applicants against whom remonstrances have been field are the following:

Jesse R. Clifford, Potter House.

Thomas E. O'Brien and William M. Bowser, Hugg House.

Albert Fosshauer, Passmore House.

Harry Washburn, St. James Hotel.

Samuel Rogers, Coal Exchange Hotel.

W. J. Rapsey, Continental Hotel.

Frank McClure, Ramsdal House

William H. Hindle, Central Hotel.

Frank W. Grebe, William D. Grebe and W. John Crago, Hotel Sheffer.

Philipsburg Brewing Company, wholesale brewers.

George Parks, wholesale liquor.

Orin Vail, wholesale liquor.

James Black, wholesale liquor.

Auto Ablaze in Bridge.

Richard Quigley's large touring car took fire one night last week in the river bridge, near the Lock Haven end, as Mr. Quigley was taking A. G. Paine, jr., to his home in Lockport, says the Lock Haven Democrat. A still alarm was sent to the Hand-in-Hand fire station, when Driver Jacob P. Keller responded with the auto truck and turned a chemical stream on the smoking auto, which extinguished the blaze, which was in the concealed parts of the machine, which is valued at $4,500, being a Thomas flyer of the latest model. The fire was caused by back-firing, and the loss is estimated at $700, as the motor wires, etc., are burned out and the body was somewhat scorched. The loss is covered by insurance. It was feared for a time the flames would reach the gasoline tank and that an explosion would result, but the chemical stream from the auto truck quickly did the business and allayed all fears of an explosion and the ignition of the bridge.

Two 45th. Survivors Dead.

Two members of the 45th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, who attended the reunion of the regiment in Williamsport a few weeks ago, died last week. Capt. J. W. Meese, who was sergeant major of the regiment, died in New York city on Wednesday, aged 72 years, and was buried in the Arlington National cemetery.

Benjamin Eshleman died at his home in Columbus on Tuesday evening. He suffered a stroke of paralysis November 22, just after returning from the reunion of the regiment. He was 68 years of age.

Thousands for Auto Licenses.

A record for one day's receipts for automobile licenses was made at the State Highway Department at Harrisburg on Friday, last. The income for the day was $7,155, all for 1913 licenses.

EDITOR KURTZ BOOMED FOR SURVEYOR OF PORT

State Democratic Leaders Said to Favor His Application.

POSITION PAYS $5000

Appointment Will be Among First to be Made by President Wilson—Post Located at Philadelphia and Was Once Held by P. Gray Meek.

Editor Charles R. Kurtz of the "Centre Democrat" is being boomed by his friends for appointment by President Wilson to the position of Surveyor of the Port at Philadelphia. The position was at one time held by P. Gray Meek, of this place. The present incumbent is Perry M. Lytle, of Huntingdon County. With the position goes the snug salary of $5000 per year.

The news that Mr. Kurtz was being considered for the appointment in question was first made known by Washington despatches to the Pittsburgh "Post," Philadelphia "Record" and other city newspapers. The Washington despatch to the Phittsburg "Post" contained the following:

"For the internal revenue collectorships and the other big Federal offices having headquarters in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh no candidates so far have been heard of in Washington excepting for the Port of Philapelphia. The name of Charles R. Kurtz, of Bellefonte, is mentioned for this place and he probably will have strong backing. He was a delegate at-large to the Baltimore convention and later was chairman of the publicity committee of the Democratic State Committee in the campaign. The position of Surveyor of the Port of Philadelphia usually is conceded to one of the interior counties and under the last Democratic administration it was held by P. Gray Meek, who also is a resident of Bellefonte."

It was not until the foregoing despatch was published that local Democrats became aware that Mr. Kurtz was an applicant and that he was looked upon with favor for the position by the present leaders of the Democratic State organization. When asked for confirmation that he was after the appointment, Mr. Kurtz frankly said:

"It is true that I am an applicant. I have some hopes of being appointed."

Those in position to know the views of the present Democratic State organization leaders believe that Mr. Kurtz has an excellent chance to land the $5000 plum. As the leader in Centre County for the Democratic reorganization faction he was brought into contact with State Chairman Guthrie, National Committeeman Palmer, Vance McCormick and others potential in the party management. These leaders supported him for election as national delegate-at-large to the convention which nominated Wilson, and later they made him chairman of the publicity committee of the Democratic State Committee. In the latter capacity Mr. Kurtz rather revolutionized the old happy-go-lucky system of sending out boiler plate to country newspapers. He originated and had published a bright, newsy magazine which carried both political and other reading matter and which was distributed by the thousands by the several Democratic newspapers over the State. He was warmly commended by the party leaders for the work done by his committee during the Wilson campaign.

When the election returns showed Wilson to be elected most persons hereabouts conceded to Mr. Kurtz the privilege of asking recognition for something pretty good in the way of a Federal appointment. As might be expected where factional troubles exist, there are a few local Democrats who will feel like going on a bender if Mr. Kurtz is appointed, and some others who will be mighty well pleased.

The New Window Glass Industry.

It is gratifying to learn that the citizens of Bellefonte are in entire sympathy with the movement afoot to locate the newly incorporated Centre County Window Glass Company in Bellefonte. The skilled glass workers here together with the services of the Mercantile and Realty Company, promoters and financiers, of Pittsburgh, have without the question of a doubt shown the public, during the last week, that the new industry is absolutely assured, since these men are indefatigable workers. These men say they feel confident that all the money needed for the thorough establishment of this industry can easily be secured in Bellefonte.

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$2597 Spent Here in Last Campaign.

The snug sum of $2597.09 was spent in Centre County by rival candidates and the several party committees in the November campaign. This is revealed in the sworn statements of campaign receipts and expenditures filed with Prothonotary D. R. Foreman, as is required by the State corrupt practices law. The only candidate who did not file a statement here was Congressman Patton. His statement was filed at Washington, in compliance with the Federal law.

Of the several local candidates R. M. Foster, defeated on the Democratic ticket for the Legislature, had the largest total of expenditures, his statement giving the amount as $520. His successful opponent, Professor C. L. Gramley, spent $271.25. According to their statements neither received a penny in the way of assistance, each going down into his pocket for the full amount of expenses incurred while hustling for votes.

The Republican County Committee heads the list with the largest amount received and expended during the campaign. The committee's receipts amounted to $1255.84, with expenditures of $1255.06. A balance in the treasury of 78 cents is thus assured the new Republican County Chairman, whoever he may happen to be. The committee statement sets forth that there are no unpaid bills or obligations on hand. The Democratic County Committee received and expended $725.63. The expenditures included wiping out a few hang over bills from the last County campaign. The Washington party receipts were $270 and expenditures $212.20.

While Congressman Patton has not filed a local statement the Republican County Committee statement shows that it received from him two contributions of $200, each, or a total of $400. The sum of $150 was received from Charles Johnson, formerly treasurer of the Republican State Committee. Professor Gramley also made two contributions to this committee, the first being for $100 and the second for $25. Congressman Patton gave the Washington party $200 in one contribution. Professor Gramley gave the Washington party $25 on [illegible] occasions. The statement of the Democratic County Committee shows that James A. Gleason, the party's candidate for Congress failed to "come scross" with a penny toward the local campaign.

The several statements afford one some idea of the numerous items of expense connected with a campaign. Postage, for instance, is a big factor. Printing is another big item. The Republican County Committee statement shows $170.56 spent for postage, $31.25 to T. H. Harter, for printing, and $30 to J. Linn Harris, secretary, trip to Philadelphia and other incidental expenses. The Democratic County Committee statements includes items amounting to $170.56 for postage. The statement of the Washington party shows $55 expended for postage and payments of $28.90 to Willard Hall and $25 to Dr. M. J. Locke for sundry expenses.

The list of individual contributions to the Democratic campaign fund suggests that the party managers sized up Prothonotary David R. Foreman as the man with the fattest wallet in the Court House. He made one contribution of $100 and later gave $25 additional. Recorder Francis Speer and County Treasurer John D. Miller each gave up $50. Register Frank J. Smith coughed once for $25 and a second time for $10. Sheriff Lee, District Attorney Paul Fortney and County Commissioners Noll and Grove each produced $25. R. M. Foster had two generous moments, each costing him $100 as a contribution to the committee.

As with the Democrats, the bulk of the Republican County Committee receipts came from officeholders. These contributions ranged from $10, received from Senator Joseph Alexander, to $75 given by Postmaster John Gowland, who never waits to be asked to help out in any campaign. The Democratic statement shows an average allotment of $3 to the several precinct chairmen in the county. The allotment to Republican precinct chairmen ranged from $5 to $20.

The Republican County Committee statement sets forth an itemized account of expenditures and also shows the following contributions.

REPUBLICAN CO. COMMITTEE.

To balance on hand	$ 14.84
Charles E. Patton	200.00
Joseph Alexander	10.00
E. F. Hoyt	10.00
C. L. Gramley	100.00
Miss Rhone	45.00
John Gowland	75.00
William F. Haas	45.00
H. L. Dougherty	23.00
Thomas M. Dunkel	20.00
W. I. Fleming	40.00
Albert Emerick	30.00
Allen D. Ludwig	36.00
C. D. Koch	30.00
J. Warren Fotenbaugh	2.00
W. D. Meyers, Jr.	5.00
B. E. Jenks	40.00
John W. Seltzer	26.00
Charles Johnson, Treas'r.	150.00
C. E. Patton	200.00
Joseph Knapper	25.00
C. L. Gramley	25.00
John Curtin, Treas'r.	69.00
Total	$1255.84

The Democratic County Committee statement accounts for all money spent and shows the following contributions:

DEMOCRATIC CO. COMMITTEE.

To bal acc't filed 1911	$ 93.62
To checks issued 1911 returned	39.36
By unpaid bills 1911	44.85
To D. R. Foreman	100.00
" Francis Speer	50.00
" John D. Miller	50.00
" R. M. Foster	100.00
" D. P. Fortney	25.00
" John A. Woodward	5.00
" W. H. Noll	25.00
" R. M. Foster	100.00
" S. A. Grove	25.00
" John M. Shugert	25.00
" D. R. Foreman	25.00
" J. B. Lee	25.00
" [illegible]	10.00
" Earl Orr	2.50
" N. B. Spangler	10.00
" George R. Meek	25.00
" J. Frank Smith	25.00
" " "	10.00
Total	$725.63

The Washington party statement accounts for expenditures of $212.20 and gives the following as showing where the money came from:

WASHINGTON CO. COMMITTEE.

C. E. Patton	$ 200.00
C. L. Gramley	25.00
C. L. Gramley	25.00
John F. Kreps	20.00
Total	$270.00

With R. M. Foster and Professor Gramley an itemized record of contributions was unnecessary, since there were none. Professor Gramley had one offer of financial assistance but it was declined. The statement of expenditures by Messrs Gramley and Foster follow:

R. M. FOSTER EXPENDITURES.

Democratic Co. Comm.	$200.00
Printing	50.00
Stationery	10.00
Hotels	85.00
Transportation	175.00
Total	$520.00

C. L. GRAMLEY EXPENDITURES.

Republican Co. Comm.	$100.00
Washington Co. Comm.	25.00
Postage and printing	18.50
Traveling expenses	66.25
Washington Co. Comm.	25.00
Republican Co. Comm.	25.00

The statement of James A. Gleason, Democratic candidate for Congress, was published in these columns last week, as was also that of John P. Harris, who was a candidate for Republican presidential elector.

Ellis Shafer Dead.

Ellis Shafer, for many years clerk at the Ward House, in Tyrone, and especially well known in Bellefonte, died on Saturday, last, at his home in Madisonburg. He had gone to his home to spend Thanksgiving and while there became ill. His death was due to typhoid-pneumonia. Funeral services were held on Tuesday.

Horse's Kick Fatal.

William Butler, a 15-years-old-son of Harry Butler, of Woodland, Clearfield County, was kicked in the groin by a horse last Friday and died in the Philipsburg hospital on the day following. The boy was attending to the horse at the time of the accident.

Fingers Ripped by Saw.

While Lester Nearhoof was working at a circular saw, at Scalp station, nearby Tyrone, two fingers of one of his hands were so badly cut that they were amputated. He was removing some bark from the saw at the time of the accident. Fortunately for him the rapidly moving saw released the hand before the entire arm was drawn in and severed.

State Road Work Stopped.

State road building nearby Bellefonte has been stopped for winter. The various supervisors will, however, be engaged in keeping roads open when snow is on the ground.

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WILLIAM WITMER DEAD; EXPECT FIGHT ON WILL

Farmer Almost 91 Years Old, Ill But Few Hours.

ESTATE WORTH $100,000

Three Daughters and Several Grand-Children May Wage Contest With Only Surviving Son—Said There Are Two Wills in Existence.

William Witmer, one of the oldest and wealthiest farmers in Centre County, died at 9.30 o'clock Tuesday night at his home nearby Bellefonte. He had been ill but a comparatively few hours. He was aged almost 91 years. His estate is estimated to be worth approximately $100,000.

Mr. Witmer had been enjoying his usual good health until a short time before he passed away. He had been up and about as usual on the preceding day and on Tuesday had been out of the house for a few minutes. The news of his death came as a surprise.

It is the prevailing belief in legal circles that a big fight is ahead over the Witmer will, or rather wills, for report has it that each of two factions of heirs claims to have a will making disposition of the $100,000 estate. One version is that Mr. Witmer made a will a year or two and that in this he excludes the surviving son, James, from sharing in the estate and gives everything to the three surviving daughters and the children of a deceased daughter. In this will C. M. McCurdy and William P. Humes are named as executors, it is said. Friends of the heirs according to this will say that Mr. Witmer stated on a number of occasions that he neither had nor would make another will.

On the other hand it is said that another will is in existence, that it was made since the one referred to and that in this will ample provision is made for the son, James. The latter, it is related, is in the possession of James Witmer and his counsel. It provides for the three daughters, it is said, just the same as if William Witmer had died intestate.

The surviving children of William Witmer are the one son James, and three daughters: Nannie Witmer, now Mrs. John Felding, of Harris township; Maggie Witmer, now Mrs. Aaron Thomas, of Centre Hall, and Annie Witmer, now Mrs. John Kline, of College township.

Some months ago, it will be recalled by readers of "The Republican," the three daughters together with Maggie Kelly, Clayton Korman, Annie Wright and William Korman, children of Jennie Witmer Korman, deceased, brought suit in court to secure an injunction restraining the son, James Witmer, from handling the father's estate under a power of attorney obtained from William Witmer; to compel James Witmer to render a complete accounting of all money coming into his possession; to compel James Witmer to deliver for cancellation "the will whose execution was obtained by fraud, misrepresentation and undue influence"; to compel James Witmer to deliver for cancellation a contract to which the consent and signature of William Witmer "was obtained by fraud misrepresentation and undue influence, in pursuance of which James C. Witmer is to receive excessive and unreasonable compensation for services rendered, to direct James Witmer to deliver for cancellation all other papers to which the signature of William Witmer was obtained during three or four years past, in which James C. Witmer is interested directly or indirectly."

In their petition to the court the three daughter and grand-children set forth that William Witmer, because of his advanced age, was "so weak in body and mind that he has been unable to transact any business." Immediately following this move William Witmer directed his counsel to demand a jury trial to pass on the question of his health, both mental and physical. Argument on the petition referred to was heard by Judge Hall, of Elk County. He has not handed down a decision. It was reported at the time of hearing argument, however, that Judge Hall had advised counsel for the plaintiffs that the last Witmer will did not exclude them, that they would share just as if their father were to die intestate, and that the best course for them to pursue would be to return home and try to live more happily.

William Witmer's death ends the litigation precipitated by the filing of the petition against James Witmer, but according to general belief the biggest fight of all is still to come.

KEELER, EX-BELLEFONTER, CONVICTED OF MURDER

Jury Renders First Degree Verdict at Clearfield.

SENTENCED NEXT WEEK

Defendant Shot and Killed Brewer While Enraged Over Losing Position—Employed at McCalmont Quarries Here Number of Years Ago.

Jack Keeler, at one time a resident of Bellefonte, was last Friday convicted of murder in the first degree, following his trial at Clearfield. Keeler on September 14th shot and killed Joseph W. Roessner, a Clearfield brewer, and wounded two others. He was enraged over losing his position at the brewery.

Keeler, while in Bellefonte, was employed at the McCalmont lime kilns. Daly Justice and Abe Smeltzer, of this place, were among those summoned as witnesses at the trial last week. The trial was begun on Tuesday, the entire day being taken up in securing a jury. The "Clearfield Republican," in its report of the trial, published the following:

The Commonwealth side of the case was opened by Attorney Bell who reviewed the shooting, the incidents leading up to the shooting, those following and told the jury the State would ask for a verdict of first degree murder.

Doctors Wadsworth, Gordon, Keeley and Wilson were called and testified to the course of the bullet, the effect of the shot and their efforts to stay the hand of death by operating at the hospital.

R. H. Ogden, bookkeeper at the brewery, was the next witness. He told of the controversy with Keeler on the Thursday before the shooting; how Keeler had claimed extra pay for overtime; how the matter was adjusted and seemingly satisfactory to both sides. That on Saturday afternoon about five o'clock Keeler again appeared at the office of the brewery and getting into a [illegible] with Mr. Roessner, [illegible] tap room; about Roessner telling Keeler to leave and about Keeler's son inquiring for him and that he should go home; that Keeler said no one could put him out and of Mr. Roessner coming into the room to telephone for an officer. Then the shooting began. Mr. Ogden could not say whether he or Mr. Roessner was shot first; the gun was not more than a foot from his face when he was shot. He heard Mr. Roessner say he was shot and shot mortally. Mr. Roessner had come into the office through one door and Keeler through another. The shooting began soon and he could not swear who was shot first. The shot which struck Mr. Ogden pierced his cheek and through the mouth into the neck. He produced the bullet.

Howard Taylor, colored, was the next witness. Was at the brewery that evening on business. Saw Keeler in the tap room; heard Mr. Roessner say he would call the police. Saw both men walk out and into the office. Saw Keeler fire two shots at Mr. Roessner; did not see the shooting of Ogden because of smoke; heard shot. Went out of office and heard other shots. Heard Kircher say he was shot. Saw Keeler walk out with revolver in hand and walk toward engine room.

John Kircher, brewmaster. Saw Keeler come into tap room and push way to bar; gave him two glasses of beer; went out; came back in a minute or two and saw Keeler pass glass for another beer; told Carson not to give him any. Keeler said, "less you say the better it will be for you;" demanded another beer; refused him; was giving another employe a glass when Keeler said "that will be the last glass you will give anyone," smiled at Keeler and he again remarked, "smile, for that will be your last smile; just give me five more minutes." Keeler and Roessner then went out and in a minute or two heard the shot from the office; started to go into the office when Keeler met him in the office and said, "you don't need to come; I'll get you; I told you so." Was shot through the wrist, as he turned was shot in the back and the ball still being where it lodged. Mr. Kirchner told where the several participants in the tragedy stood and gave a very dramatic description of the shooting.

W. I. Swailes, engineer at the brewery. He told of Keeler telling him not to touch him saying, "don't touch me I am a bad man. I am going to do something bad after awhile." I said to Rowles that we had better get out of this. I saw Kircher and told him of Keeler's attitude and Kirchner went back to the tap room. I saw the flash of the revolver a moment later. I saw Mr. Roessner come out, then Ogden and last Keeler with the revolver in hand.

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Process of Making A Good Shot Gun.

A man ought to have considerable confidence in the quality of the material when he is willing to explode a charge of gun-powder with a bursting force of from 50,000 to 65 000 pounds to the square inch within a few inches of his head with nothing between but the thickness of his gun-barrel, three-sixteenths of an inch of steel.

Yet that gun barrel might be a section of nicely finished gas pipe, so far as the average sportsman who blithely blazes away is informed. There seems to be but little general knowledge of the interesting process which results in the finished gun-barrel or of the great skill, care and scientific knowledge required in the work of manufacture.

Shotguns barrels may be divided into two general classes, those made from twisted rods or ribbons of steel and those made from untwisted solid steel bars. Twisting gives the Damascus barrel and the "solid weldless twist" barrel. Boring a solid untwisted steel bar is the general practice in making the comparatively low priced American guns, but this process if carefully carried out, using only the best materials, will produce a barrel that will answer almost all requirements. Barrels may also be made by rolling out pierced blanks, they may be rolled hollow by the Mannesmann process or they may be forged and then drilled.

The quality of the barrel, says Harper's Weekly, depends less upon the method of forming it than upon the material used when any but the twist method is followed. With the twist barrel the manipulation is all important. In the nature of things the twisted barrel will stand a greater strain and it is possible to give it a finish far more attractive than can be done with the plain steel barrel. Also the process of manufacture is much more interesting.

All Damascus barrels must be made of twisted rods. Without this twisting of the rod the finished barrel would have the appearance of a wire twist barrel, but by twisting the metal the grain is so arranged that it appears on the outside of the finished barrel in the form of irregular links or circles. The material used in making Damascus barrels is figured iron, that is a mixture of iron and steel.

Pig iron from the best ores is placed in a furnace and cleansed from all dross by puddling, when the dross being lighter than the iron, rises to the surface and is skimmed off. The liquid iron is then allowed to cool slightly and is worked into "blooms" of 100 pounds each. A "bloom" under the hammer soon becomes a square block, which in turn in the rolling mill becomes a 10 foot bar.

Much hammering with a tilt hammer condenses the metal, while the rolling not only increases the ductility and tenacity by elongating the fibre. In some gun shops the heating and hammering of the metal is repeated three times, the loss of metal being 41 per cent. Further processes cause additional loss, until not more than 10 to 15 per cent. of the original weight of iron ever gets into a gun barrel.

The proportion of iron and steel entering into a barrel is largely a matter of individual opinion among gunsmiths, but the best English Damascus and modern laminated steel contains over 60 per cent. pure steel and the fine silver steel Damascus barrels contain 75 per cent. best worked steel.

In piling the iron and steel it is possible so to arrange the metals that many different figures will result. In piling the iron for ordinary Damascus strips of iron and steel are laid upon each other alternately; in another figure the iron instead of being in strips is in rods so arranged that in cross section they resemble a checkerboard. Chain twist, diamond twist, &c., are produced by appropriate arrangement of these strips of iron and steel and there is practically no limit to the number of different designs that may be made.

The next process is to heat and weld the faggot of piled iron and steel and roll it into rods of the sizes required by the welder. The welder may for a common barrel have the metal in the shape of a strip about three-quarters of an inch wide and of rhomboidal section. Eighteen pounds of prepared gun iron are required to weld a pair of twelve gauge barrels which when finished will not weigh over three and a half pounds.

Barrels for high class guns are almost all hand welded. The square rods of iron are first twisted to give the Damascus figure. These rods are about four feet long and are placed in a furnace and heated until about eighteen inches of the length is a bright red. One end is then thrust into a square hole and the rod twisted, a winch handle and cog wheels giving the rotary motion, the process being repeated until the entire rod is twisted with about eight turns to the inch. The rod is now of course round, with the exception of the ends, and has been reduced to about three feet three inches in length.

The cheapest Damascus barrels, single iron stub Damascus, are made from a single twisted bar; two iron stub Damascus barrels are made from two twisted rods, each three-eighths of an inch square, welded together and rolled into a ribbon with the twisted spirals in opposite directions; the three inch barrels have three rods similarly twisted and welded. The Belgians sometimes use four and even six rods in producing fancy figures, but three irons are sufficient to give a very fine effect. The real English Damascus is made with three rods; silver steel Damascus is similarly made, but of different metal piled in different order.

The rods having been twisted and welded together, they are sent to the iron mill and rolled at a red heat into ribbons which have both edges bevelled the same way. Two of these ribbons are required to form a single barrel, the one for the breech being somewhat thicker than the one for the muzzle. These ribbons are twisted into a spiral, this twisting being done cold unless very heavy barrels are desired. The metal coils are next heated, a steel mandrel is inserted and the coil is welded by hammering. The two coils are next welded together, the breech section being about six inches long. Then comes more hammering until the metal is cold, and the barrel is complete except for the finishing.

There are shops in Belgium where the method just described is followed, but in which machines are utilized for twisting and hammering and where no steel whatever is used, the Damascus effect being attained by using two grades of iron. Such barrels are naturally more apt to contain flaws than a handworked product and an all iron barrel is not sufficiently strong to withstand safely the explosion of the powders now generally used. At the same time some of the finest barrels in the world are made in that country by hand, and the idea that all Belgian guns are of low grade is a decided mistake.

The six iron Damascus is a product of Belgium. For these remarkable barrels thirty-two alternating bars of iron and steel are rolled into a sheet three-sixteenths of an inch thick, this sheet is split into square rods and the rods are twisted as heretofore described, but are given eighteen complete turns to the inch. The result is a figure on the finished barrel no larger than the eye of a small needle. The usual Belgian Damascus barrel of commerce is a two iron barrel, but made from larger rods than those used by the English, and having consequently a coarser figure and not showing so many light colored streaks as the English two iron barrels.

The reason for combining steel and iron in gun barrels is that pure steel would be too brittle to withstand the shock of the explosion and pure iron too soft; a proper combination of the metals reaners the barrel sufficiently elastic to return to its original size after the expansion caused by the discharge. The three iron Damascus barrel is, according to a majority of the experts, the most satisfactory. The six iron barrels are for practical purposes overtwisted.

"Solid weldless twist" barrels, which have of late years gained much popularity, are made by the simple process of twisting a bar of metal of proper composition and boring out the centre. The principal advantages of this form of barrel are its cheapness when compared with the welded barrel and the fact that there are never any of the gray specks liable to occur in the best of Damascus barrels. These gray specks are particles of burnt metal or scale imbedded in the metal during one of the many welding operations, and while they do not affect the strength of the barrels to any appreciable extent they detract from their appearance.

A fairly good Damascus barrel will average about thirty years service, or the firing of one hundred thousand shots, if properly cared for and be perfectly safe to use. Of course the best of barrels can be ruined in a short time by rough usage, for a Damascus barrel will not stand a blow given sideways, and the gun should never be discharged when there is a dent in the barrel.

How to Fight the Blues.

Here are rules for the prevention of "the blues" as framed by the Rev. Dr. Sidney Smith:

1 Live as well as you dare.

2 Take cool baths as a tonic.

3 Read amusing books.

4 Take brief views of human life—no further than tomorrow.

5 Be busy as you can.

6 See as much as you can of those friends who respect and like you and of those acquaintances who amuse you.

7 Make no secret of low spirits to your friends; dignified reserve increase the trouble.

8 Notice the effects of tea and coffee upon you.

Compare your feet with that of many other persons.

10 Don't expect too much from human life—a sorry business at the best.

11 Avoid tragic poetry, plays and stories and melancholy or sentimental poetry and people.

12 Be good and try to please every one.

13 Be as much in the open air as you can be without over fatigue.

14 Make the room where you commonly sit gay and pleasant.

15 Struggle against idleness.

16 Don't be too severe upon yourself, nor under value yourself.

17 Keep good, blazing fires.

18 Be firm and constant in the exercise of rational religion.

Equal to the Emergency.

Being equal to an emergency helps one out of pilgrims into which the best of us sometimes fall. A certain actor came so belated to the theater one evening when he was to play Othello in the tragedy of that name that he forgot to blacken his hands and rushed on the stage with them white and his face sooty. Of course the audience giggled and poor Othello, when he realized the cause of the mirth, was almost unable to proceed with his part and so deeply mortified that when he made his exit after his first scene he declared that he could not finish the performance, but a happy thought struck him. He procured a pair of flesh colored gloves, blackened his hands, put the gloves on and walked quietly on again. There was quite a little tittering as the Moor went on with his lines, but it entirely subsided as during a speech of one of the other characters the dusky lover carefully drew off his gloves, disclosing hands to match his face. Then those whose risibles had been affected felt small and awkward.

The End of His Rope.

"Charles," she said, "that's the worst cigar I ever smelled in my life. Throw it away. I'm stifling!"

And she uttered a little stifle.

"It cost 10 cents," he replied, caressing the band. "The man said it took four Cubans three days to make it, and I'd hate to throw it away. It cost 10 cents."

"Nevertheless," she said between stifles, "if you don't throw it away it will kill me. It's terrible. You know I'm no chronic kicker, but just look at me!"

And indeed he had never seen any one stifle so fast or so hard. Yet he went right on smoking, muttering, "It cost me 10 cents."

The bill for the funeral (an elaborate one, for he felt quite upset) amounted to $146.80, and as he wrote a check for it he reflected, with a twinge of conscience, "It cost 10 cents, but I suppose it would have been cheaper to throw it away."—Pittsburgh Press.

They Recover Quickly.

The marriage or rather the remarriage statistics in the mairies of Paris make sad reading for the sentimentalists. Of 2,270 disconsolate widowers 148 remarry within a year. The defections increase with terrible rapidity in the second year, which sees 628 relapses from the ranks of mourners. At the end of the third year only thirty-seven widowers remain. With the widows it is even worse. None remarry within the first year of their husband's decease, but it is feared that this is due not to fidelity, but to the strict legal veto which obtains in France. Once the law's delay is at an end they go off with vertiginous rapidity. Of 1,907 weeping widows in eighteen months only four had not exchanged their weeds for wedding garments.—Paris Cor. London Telegraph.

Norway's Sick-Insurance Law.

Norway has a sick insurance law which embraces all wage earners and public servants over fifteen years of age whose yearly earnings do not exceed $322 if in the rural districts or $375 in the cities. The law also provides that the employer shall pay a certain percentage (one-sixth) of the premium, while he is held responsible for the whole, but may deduct from the wages of the insured at the end of the term for which the premium is paid the amount thus advanced. Theoretically it is self insurance on the contributive plan, while actually it amounts to an extra tax upon the employer, as most employees stipulate when engaging their services that the insurance premium shall be paid in addition to the wages.

Old Time Punishment.

In "Pike's History of Crimes," volume 1, page 226, is found the following copy of the sentence of an old time traitor: "It is the order of the court that for your treason you be drawn and hanged and beheaded and that your heart, bowels and entrails, from whence come your traitorous thoughts, be torn out and burned to ashes and that the ashes be scattered to the four winds and that your body be afterward cut into four quarters."

Sugar.

A West India paper says that in 1752 an "Essay on Sugar" was written in which it is recorded that the Duke of Beaufort, who died in 1702 at the advanced age of eighty years, used to eat a pound of sugar every day, and it was found that he was never troubled with coughs and his teeth were firm, so that his housekeeper gave this reason:

That which preserves apples and plums
Will also preserve life and lungs.

He Remembered.

Mrs. Jones—Do you remember that night in June, Henry, when you first asked me to marry you? Mr. Jones—If you refer to that first, last, single, solitary and only occasion upon which I ever asked you to marry me, I do, and you never gave me another chance, either.

His Ancestors.

Jones—So you have succeeded in tracing back my ancestors? What is your fee? Genealogist—One thousand pounds—for keeping quiet about them.—London Tit-Bits.

Not Going to Pieces.

Geraldine—May I see you apart? Gerald—Well, I should say not! Do I look as if I were coming to pieces?—New York Press.

Some people will never learn anything for this reason—because they understand everything too soon.—Pope.

GAME LAW SUGGESTIONS

William H. Williams, of Port Matilda, Presents His Views.

The November issue of "Mountain and Stream" contains an interesting article by William H. Williams, of Port Matilda, in which he offers some timely suggestions in regard to our State game laws. The article follows:

"I have hunted every fall for the last 45 years alike deer, bear and birds, and I believe I know something about game of all kinds better than most of those hunters much younger than myself, in the way of their habits, etc.

"Deer should come in two weeks later on account of their mating season. We are all aware of that fact. When hunters take to the woods on their annual trips they scatter the deer and many of the does go barren the next year which would not occur if left to themselves two weeks longer. This I am certain of for I have taken notice of it for the last two years. So I would suggest that we make this change and have the deer season open two weeks later.

"Next I would limit the number to be killed as follows: One deer to one individual when hunting alone; one deer in a camp of from four to eight. In a camp of from eight to any number that may choose to hunt together three deer, with the right to kill either sex, that may chance to come their way and I am certain that this change would stop the illegal killing of does and our deer would increase faster than they are now doing.

"Hunters are writing into the game commissioners now from all over the state about the bucks becoming dangerously scarce. It is not to be wondered at when we think over the number killed each year. So let us pull together and have this change made.

"Some advocate a closed season for five or eight years. Now we older fellows will not agree to this, but we are willing to be limited as I have suggested and I know our deer will increase.

"Now with respect to the other game both birds and animals. The limit should be cut way down. The present limit for pheasants is 50 in one season, Bosh! I am certain there are townships in our county that don't have pheasants in them, while we have over 50 hunters. Just stop and think for one moment. Fifty pheasants to a hunter and 50 hunters and I dare say more and what is your bag if all get their limit? 2500 pheasants. Why there are not that many in all Centre county—no not in two or three counties.

"So cut them down to 10 or 15 to an individual. Do the same with squirrels. Six in a day, at present, with no limit to the season. Cut it down to 15 in one season. The quail limit is now 75 in one season. Cut it down to 25 and it will still be high enough.

"So cut down the limits on all other game in proportion and in a few years we would be able at least to get our small limit which we can not possibly get today.

"Next game fish. Cut out the size. What good is a fish after it has been caught, torn off the hook and thrown back into the stream to die? Let the fellow take it and count it as one of his number without regard to size. If he wants a three inch trout let him have it, and joy be with him.

"Now I have made quite a few suggestions and I believe they will meet the approval of the three-fourth or four-fifth of all the hunters in our state if they are put in shape and put on the statute book. Think them over and do the best you can for them. I have the H. A. P. A. petition pretty nearly full. Will send it in soon. I am opposed to the Resident license law and will do all I can against it. I think we will raise a club here before long if we can. Help us along if you can."

Coughing at Night.

One bad cough can keep the whole family awake at night. Phil Disorneau, Schaffer, Mich., says: "I could not sleep on account of a bad cough, and I was very weak, I used Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, and soon the cough left and I slept soundly all night." Sold by C. M. Parrish.—Advt.

Masons to Increase Tax.

At the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Sons of Pennsylvania, which was held in Philadelphia last week it was decided to increase the per capita tax to $2 per annum to aid the Masonic Home fund. The membership of the Blue lodges was stated as 100,700.

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A Garrick Trick.

One of the best of the stories that have been preserved relating to David Garrick's remarkable faculty for impersonation is that one about a holiday that he and the French comedian Preville had when the English Roscius was visiting in Paris.

One morning Garrick and his French colleague were waiting in a diligence to start for Versailles. The driver refused to budge until at least four passengers would undertake the trip. Garrick jumped out and, changing his gait and voice, hailed the coachman on the box and got in again. He repeated the trick three times, each time with a different voice and appearance. The driver, thinking he was now "full inside," joyfully cracked his whip and galloped away with the two actors for his only passengers.

Deceptive.

A lanky country youth entered the crossroads general store to order some groceries. He was seventeen years old and was passing through that stage of adolescence during which a boy seems all hands and feet and his vocal organs, rapidly developing, are wont to cause his voice to undergo sudden and involuntary changes from high treble to low bass.

In an authoritative rumbling bass voice he demanded of the busy clerk, "Give me a can of corn" (then, his voice suddenly changing to a shrill falsetto, he continued) "and a sack of flour."

"Well, don't be in a hurry. I can't wait on both of you at once," snapped the clerk.—Everybody's.

Quite Appropriate.

The bachelor community of a certain suburb were greatly scared by the advent among them of a fearsome type of the desperate, husband hunting spinster. After throwing each of the local bachelors into spasms of terror lest he should be the recipient of her attentions the lady finally managed to captivate the curate. Local bachelordom was so intensely relieved at its escape that it united in presenting the curate with a splendid wedding present in the shape of a costly table service.

The curate was overwhelmed. "Such a magnificent service!" he gasped.

"Well, you see, my boy," explained the chief of the local bachelors, "it is really a thanksgiving service."—London Answers.

Wanted All That Was In It.

Father (whose wife has presented him with twins)—Tommy, you may stay home from school today and tomorrow tell the teacher you have two new brothers. Tommy—Wouldn't it be better to say that I have only one new brother? Then I can stay home a day next week for the other one.—Fliegende Blatter.

The Last Word.

"How did you come to bid so extravagantly on so poor a hand?" asked the patient partner.

"Humph!" returned Mrs. Fillmilt. "You didn't suppose I was going to let that woman on my right have the last word, did you?"—Washington Star.

So Did He.

"Do you know," said the successful merchant pompously, "that I began life as a 'barefoot boy?'"

"Well," said his clerk, "I wasn't born with shoes on either."

Catching Her.

She (pouting)—Before we were married you often used to catch me in your arms.

He—Yes, and now I catch you in my pockets.

Too Much For Webster.

In the somewhat famous case of Mrs. Bodgen's will, which was tried in the supreme court many years ago, Daniel Webster appeared as counselor for the appellant Mrs. Greenough, wife of the Rev. William Greenough, was a very self possessed witness. Notwithstanding Mr. Webster's repeated efforts to disconcert her, she pursued the even tenor of her way until Webster, becoming quite fearful of the result, arose, apparently in great agitation, and, drawing out his large snuffbox, thrust his thumb and finger to the very bottom and, carrying a deep pinch to both nostrils, drew it up with gusto, and then, extracting from his pocket a very large handkerchief, he blew his nose with a report that rang distinct and loud through the crowded hall.

He then asked, "Mrs. Greenough, was Mrs. Bodgen a neat woman?"

"I cannot give you full information as to that, sir. She had one very dirty trick," replied the witness.

"What was that, ma'am?"

"She took snuff!"

About All.

Mother—What do you think you will make out of my daughter's talent? Professor (absentmindedly)—About $2 a lesson if the piano holds out.—Exchange.

The Proper Way.

"Hello, old man. How do you find business?"

"How? By judicious advertising, of course."—Exchange.

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70 Miles of Road Rebuilt.

Seventy miles of road have been rebuilt by the State Highway Department since the reorganization of that branch of the State government less than eighteen months ago and contracts have been let for hundreds of thousands of feet of additional roadway which will be a part of the new State system or be under the control of counties and townships, according to the method by which the construction was authorized.

Figures compiled at the Capitol show that up to November 1, 4,573,699 feet, or 866 miles, of highway had been rebuilt by the State since it undertook its construction work some eight years ago. In addition to the construction work noted above the department now has pending contracts for the following improvement: Main highways, 347,972 feet; highways being built under State aid plan, 196,159 feet, and on national road 87,640. Further, within the last five months over 6,000 miles of main highway have been repaired and 110 miles of road have been resurfaced.

All of these operations, which are scattered through almost every county in the State, show that a good start has been made toward giving the Keystone State a first-class system of roads. To carry this on the people of the State will be asked next year to vote for a $50,000,000 loan for the construction of main highways. The final action necessary to lay this question, which involves an amendment to the Constitution, before the voters will be taken by the Legislature when it meets in Harrisburg next month. The Pennsylvania Motor Federation, which has made a study of the needs of the State in highway construction, is urging the speedy adoption of this legislation. The progress made in the last year or so indicates what can be brought about in Pennsylvania if the bond issue is voted.

A Handsome Mausoleum

The Tyrone Herald says that J. Will Mayes, proprietor of the Howard Marble and Granite works, has just completed a beautiful mausoleum for Joseph R. Cass in Grand View cemetery, Tyrone. The imposing structure, situated on a commanding height of the burial-ground, is a fine addition to the general appearance there. It is tasteful, substantial and in every way an example of what a real mausoleum should be.

The stately building, 12½ feet from 8 feet deep, and 14 feet high is all of Barre ganite, Vermont's choicest enduring stone, on the exterior, and the finish is finely hammered. The name "Cass," in large raised letters, is carved above the entrance. Three huge stones comprise the roof, and two of these weigh six and a half tons each. For the approach there are four steps to the platform upon which are four columns. The latter are eight and a half feet high and twelve inches in diameter. They rest upon pedestals sixteen inches in diameter. The stones used in the building are massive, twenty inches high, and of varying lengths. To support the building a solid concrete base containing thirty-five cubic yards of material was first built. The building itself weighs ninety-five tons.

The interior is of the finest Vermont marble, all brightly polished. There is a vestibule across the entire front and an aisle running back the entire length of the structure. There are eight crypts, four on each side of the aisle. The mausoleum is equipped with solid bronze doors and bronze fittings. The entrance door has also plate glass shutters. There is a perfect system of ventilation.

Mr. Mayes was engaged just twenty-three days in erecting the mausoleum which was shipped here complete in all its parts. The handsome structure occupies the centre of Mr. Cass' splendid plot in the cemetery, a circular plot sixty feet in diameter, at a fine elevated point in the cemetery, an ideal location for this magnificent tomb. It is the only mausoleum in Grand View cemetery.

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THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

The Case of the Anonymous Letter Writer of Philadelphia

The reason for the prevalence of the anonymous letter writing evil is because of the apparent safety of the person guilty of this nuisance. A man of the anonymous letter writing type has an enemy. He is afraid to face him in the open, but he wants to hurt him. What easier or what more safe—apparently—than to write an unsigned letter containing information, alleged or real, or slander, which is certain to cause the assailed person harm, or at least considerable annoyance?

There is a certain type of cowardly person to whom the anonymous letter appeals as does the vengeful stiletto to the vicious blackhand criminal. It is a means to harm, and—apparently—a safe one. What easier than to write a few lines in a disguised hand? Or on a typewriter? How can anybody trace a letter prepared in such a way and dropped in the mail box by stealth and in the dark of night? True, admits the letter writer to himself—or herself, for women are numerous among this element, such letters have been traced and their authors caught. But, reasons the intending writer, they did not take the necessary precautions to hide their tracks. It looks like a cinch. It looks safe. But— it isn't.

Any crime or misdemeanor that will place in the hands of a trained detective a piece of writing, pen or typewriter, or a piece of printing, or, in fact, any physical trace of a person's expression, is the least safe sort of wrong-doing in the world. No sort of wrong-doing is safe, of course, but the kind that leaves a trace of a person's identity in the hands of the men who get on the track is the kind most certain to be run down eventually.

This does not mean that it usually is a cinch for the detective to run down the average anonymous letter writer.

On the contrary it is usually very hard, for the wrong-doer invariably has taken a multitude of precautions to throw his followers off the track. But the point is that the detective has in the letter a tangible clue to follow, and in the end it is practically certain that the writer will be caught.

My first experience with an anonymous letter writer came about in queer fashion. One day a young man, who looked the part of the bookkeeper that we afterwards found him to be, came into the New York office of the Burns agency and planked down three anonymous letters that he had received during the past few weeks. Here is one of them that gives the gist of the three missives:

"Dear Sir:

"You will never know who this letter comes from, but you may be assured that it is from a friend. You have a friend named Carlin, who is treasurer for the Blank Heating company. If you will spend more time in Carlin's company we will reward you in a manner that will surprise you, on the condition that you let no one know that you ever received this letter. Especially do not let Carlin know."

The name of the man who brought the letters in was Blake. He had come to us for advice.

"We aren't giving away advice," said the office manager. "If you want us to find who wrote those letters to you and why they were written, we'll be glad to give you a man for $8 a day and expenses. It may take some time to find the writer, so your bill probably would run up pretty high."

"Oh, I couldn't afford to hire a detective," said Blake.

"I thought not," said the manager. And there the case ended for the time being.

Three months later, almost to a day, we got a call from a business house in a large nearby city to send a man over there at once. I happened to get the case. I found my people to be the Continental Heating company. The name of the general manager was Haney. I didn't like him from the start.

"Mr. Cornell," said Haney, when I had introduced myself, "I'm glad to see you, glad to see you, indeed. We've got a little matter here in this office, a queer matter, that we can't quite understand. We thought we had better have a detective in to look the thing over."

"What is it?" I asked.

For answer he turned to his desk and drew out three letters and handed them to me.

"Those letters, Mr. Cornell, have been received in this office in the last two weeks," said Haney. "Take a good look at them."

I did. The letters were simply addressed "Dear Sir," without the name of the firm being mentioned. They were all about in the same tone. Here is a sample:

"Dear Sir:

"You are trying to land the contract for heating the five new school buildings. We know all about it. You have made the lowest bid. You don't know that, because you're on the outside. We know, because we're on the inside. Yes, your bid is the lowest that has been turned in. We don't mind telling you that. It won't do you any good. You think that will land you the contract. Well, we don't mind telling you that it won't. The figures in the bids don't settle this contract by a long sight. We settle it. You know who we are. Now, the reason we write this to you is this: Come across.

"That's what will land you this contract, if you do land it. Come across. Come across strong. Show us that you're right, and we'll show you that we're right. Show us that you're not right and—good-by contract for you. You know who we are and you know how to get to us."

The letter ended abruptly. It wasn't signed. The other letters ran along in about the same strain, the third one being much in the nature of a threat, and assuring the firm that it had no chance in the world of landing this heating contract that it wanted so badly unless it began to show that "it was right" within the next week.

"I got that last letter yesterday," said Haney. "That week will be gone in five days. And we certainly do want that contract."

"Do you know who wrote the letters?" I asked, bluntly.

He looked at me in amazement.

"Know?" he said. "What do you think I am?" Do you suppose I'd be paying your agency $8 a day and expenses if I knew who wrote those letters?"

"Hardly," I said. "Do you know who is responsible for their being written?"

Haney looked at me a little longer this time without speaking.

"No," he said. "No."

"But you could make a pretty close guess, couldn't you?" I went on.

"Yes," he said, "I could."

"Sure," I said. "There wouldn't be any sense to these fellows writing the letters if you couldn't. I suppose it's a bunch of grafting politicians who are trying to hold you up, isn't it?"

He gave me a look which was an undisguised attempt to read my thoughts.

"Yes," he said, "that's what we think, of course. That is what I and Mr. Garver, the president of the company, have agreed upon as the truth."

"Garver?" I said. "I haven't met him yet, have I?"

"Mr. Garver is president and owner of this company," said Haney. "He's an old man. I attend to all this sort of business."

"Doesn't he want to be in on this conference?" I said.

"No," said Haney.

I thought it over a little.

"Well," I said. "I want him to be here."

"What?" Haney began to get a little mad.

"It's a rule of our office," I explained.

Haney leaned back, mollified.

"Oh," he said, "if that's the case, all right. Mr. Garver doesn't like to trouble with such details, but if you insist—"

"I do."

"Then we can go into his private office."

We went in. Garver was an old man, as Haney had said. He was over seventy and was in poor health. His mind was quite as clear as it should be, but as I saw him and Haney together the contrast struck me too forcibly to be lost. Garver was the fine type of honorable business man who has built up his success by virtue of the excellence of his products and square dealing, and who was more frequently met a couple of decades ago than in this age. Haney was the type who forces his way to the top by bulldozing and unscrupulous conduct. Garver would rather lose business than sacrifice his self respect by a dishonorable action. Haney would get the money anyway so long as he could keep out of jail.

"Well, Mr. Cornell," said Garver courteously, "it looks as if the Continental Heating company would have to resort to bribery to get a much-desired contract, doesn't it? I dislike to do it, very much, but it is extremely necessary that we get this school contract. I am sorry to have to pay a bribe to unscrupulous politicians. I would not do so except to beat a company that wants to put an inferior heating plant into our schools. I have a large amount of pride in my own city, Mr. Cornell, and I want to get my heating plant—which is a good honest one—into the schools. I am afraid we will have to appease certain politicians with a good-sized bribe before this can be accomplished."

"Oh, I guess not," I said. "We'll get this letter writer for you after that your politicians won't bother you."

Garver smiled.

"I admire confidence, Mr. Cornell," he said. "But Mr. Haney informs me that this thing is sewed up too close for comfort. The local ring already is negotiating with the Blank Heating Company of New York. Mr. Haney has had their treasurer, Mr. Carlin, watched, and a certain young man named Blake, who is a clerk in the New York office of one of our local politicians, has been with him constantly. They are the people who want to put the inferior plant in our schools, and through this envoy the politicians are in close touch with them. Isn't that the situation, Mr. Haney?"

"Yes sir," said Haney. "This young fellow has been hanging around Carlin for the last few weeks, so it's a cinch they've got something framed up. The politicians are trying to make us overbid the other people's bribe."

"How much will the bribe be?" I asked.

"Mr. Haney informs me that it will take $10,000," replied Garver.

("Oh!" said I to myself. "Mr. Haney informs you, does he? I begin to see a little ray of light.")

"I still say," said I to Garver, "that we will have your letter writer in a few days and that you won't have to bribe your politicians."

And out of the corner of my eye I saw Haney smile.

The next two days were busy ones for me and for Cluffer and Doheny of the Burns agency staff. I went back to New York; Cluffer and Doheny on my wired request came rushing to the place I had been working. Cluffer knew the ins and outs of the political ring in that city like a book. He had worked on a couple of city hall cases there. Doheny had been brought up in the town and was chummy with half a dozen of the most powerful politicians of the lower class, the kind who would be in on such a deal as the school heating contracts.

For two days Cluffer and Doheny combed the political corners of the town. They smoked and drank and chummed with everybody they needed in their business, from the king of the levee district, who was the biggest politician there, to the little hangers-on of husky ward-heelers. Then they sprang their proposition.

"And out of the corner of my eye I saw Haney smile"

"We've got a cheap heating proposition we want to get into the schools," Cluffer told the big politician. "We know that we can't compete with the other firms that are bidding on the jobs; our plant won't stand competition—it isn't in their class. But we're right. Understand? We're ready to come through big on this proposition. You and your friends can get as nice a piece of change as you've seen in a dog's age if you'll see that we get that contract, and nothing said about the kind of plants we put in."

The big fellow crossed his hands over his stomach and said:

"Now, I tell you, me boy, it's like this about those school contracts. We've made it a habit here—me and the other fellows who control the votes—to have our finger in every bit of city money that's been spent for the last ten years. We've been in on it all. But about this school business, y' know, we got to thinking about it and the first thing we knew we discovered that the health of the little kids who go to school depends a whole lot upon the heating and ventilation system that goes into the rooms. They get all sorts of things the matter with them if the heat ain't right in the winter time. The air gets bad, as I understand.

"Now, as I say, we've been in on every piece of city money that's been spent; but about this one—well, some of us have got kids of our own, and we says, says we: 'Let's let the kids get decent air and heat;' and we said: 'Hands off the heating contracts. Let the people with the best plant get the job, and nothing doing for us.' I'm sorry, but we've decided to let that job go clean."

Cluffer wired me in New York what he had found. It was what I had hoped and expected, because my theory pointed that way.

In the meantime I had gone straight to Blake. He had seen me in the office when he came in with his anonymous letters three months before.

"Are you getting any of those letters nowadays?" I said.

He was fidgety, and he lied and said, no.

"Then why are you associating with Carlin so much lately?" I asked.

"How do you know I am?" he demanded.

"The man who wrote you the letters told me so," I said.

His curiosity overcame him.

"Who is he?" he said. "Do you know, I'm worried half to death over the thing. It's perfectly crazy to me. Here a month ago the letters began coming again, and a twenty-dollar bill in each one, and a promise that they'd continue if I'd only hang around Carlin a lot. 'Let yourself be seen with him,' was the expression. What in the deuce does it mean?"

"Easy enough," I said. "You work in the New York office of a man who's big in politics in this other city where the letters are mailed, don't you?"

"Yes."

"And Carlin's in the heating business, isn't he?"

"Yes."

"And there's a big heating contract to be let in this other city. And the politicians there always have been notorious for grafting on every sort of city contract, haven't they? Well, then: here you are, working for one of the politicians, and there Carlin is, in the heating business. Now, if you're seen a lot with Carlin wouldn't anybody who knew it decide that you were the go-between for the politician you work for and Carlin, the heating contractor?

"Perhaps," he said. "But darn it, man, I'm not. I haven't said a word to Carlin; I haven't been asked to. There's nothing in it, man, nothing but the appearances."

"And that's just what your friend who sends you the twenties is after," said I. "He wants the appearances to be just what they are."

"But I'm not guilty of anything wrong."

"Certainly not, my boy; but you come pretty near being an innocent tool."

"But who's the man who sent me the letters?" asked Blake.

"Oh," I said, "I don't think you need to know. But I promise you this: you won't get any more letters or two ties, and you can stop being seen so much with Carlin."

And, in the meantime, I had been studying the letters. The ones that Blake had received were in the same hand that had penned the ones that came to the Continental Heating company. They were in a peculiar hand. After studying it for a while I saw that it was the looping, continuous hand of a telegrapher. But it wasn't a good telegrapher's hand; the letters were just a trifle shaky.

"Easy," I said to myself. "Find a telegrapher who's on the toboggan from drink or dope."

I went back to the city where the letters had been mailed, the city where the fight was on, and called on the heads of the local telegraph company and showed them the handwriting and asked if any such man worked for them.

He didn't. They had fired him for drunkenness several months before. He was an old expert named Handy who had gone the whisky route.

When you have a man identified to that extent it isn't hard to find him. Some of the old telegraphers in the office knew the particular lodging house where Handy was living. He had touched them at intervals for small loans.

Cluffer and I went to the lodging house and found Handy in bed, recovering from a terrible spree.

"I want you to write some letters for me, the same kind you've been writing for my friend Haney, of the Continental Heating company," I said.

"Get me a drink, for God's sake," said the wreck. "I haven't got a cent."

I got him something to steady his nerves and set him to work. He wrote enough to show me positively that he was my man.

"How did Haney happen to get you to write his letters for him?" I asked.

"Oh, I used to know Haney before the booze got me," he said. "I went up to his office and tried to touch him. He told me he'd pay me for writing some letters for him, and I wrote them for him and mailed 'em, too, as he ordered. Ain't any trouble about it, is there?"

"Oh, no," I said. "Not for you."

I went to Mr. Garver and saw him at his home that night and placed my evidence before him. It took me four mortal hours to convince him that his manager, Haney, had simply put up a bluff about the politicians wanting to hold up the firm that got the school heating contracts. I had to send Cluffer and Doheny after the levee king and bring him up to Garver's house and get him to tell the story about how the crooked politicians had decided to let the heating contracts alone. But when I had him convinced he was convinced all over.

The case never went to court. Garver didn't want any news that would mention the name of his town even indirectly in a graft scandal to get before the public. But the manner in which he threw Haney out of his job [illegible] that crook's nerve. Garver let [illegible] people in the heating business [illegible] about Haney's awful crooked[illegible] and Haney became a man [illegible]. He tried to make another [illegible], but his reputation had become [illegible]black. He dropped down little by [illegible] and not long ago one of our men [illegible] him in the same lodging house [illegible] still held his old friend Handy.

Man and the Bird

Man's conquest of space by heavier-than-air machines and his difficulties in controlling his mechanisms in moving currents and eddies have naturally aroused interest in the doings of his most easily-studied prototypes—the birds. Although a bird is far better equipped than a man, even in the most perfect and powerful flying machine yet invented, to cope with swirling gusts and sudden blasts, few feathered creatures care to fly during a storm.

Drexel says: "The aeroplane has its limitations, and they are so far very narrow ones." If this be true of the mechanical power, what of the guiding intelligence behind it? writes Richard Kearton in The Sphere. Man has to conceive a situation and communicate his will through his limbs to his mechanism, whereas a bird instinctively throws its will into its wings and tail, which is a much shorter path to results.

Now let us glance for a moment at the relative speeds of mental perception in a man and a bird. For a long series of years I have undergone a severe training in quick mental perception and at the crucial moment setting rapidly-answering mechanical contrivances in motion, and have no hesitation in stating that the powers of the most alert human being when compared with those of a bird are as the speed of a snail to that of a Derby winner. Some idea of a bird's marvelous rapidity of perception and resultant action may be gained when I state that I have exposed dozens of photographic plates with my focal-plane index showing that I was working at a speed of the 200th part of a second before I secured a picture of a crested tit on a branch near its nesting hole. Even in such a short space of time the bird was able to conceive the sound and set its wings in motion before the shutter of the camera closed.

No Flights in Rough Weather.

Now if such a wonderfully-equipped creature as a bird finds a difficulty in flying in strong currents and eddies, how much greater must these same difficulties be for the airman. Everybody has seen large flocks of starlings going through their astonishing aerial evolutions before retiring to rest for the night and marveled at the skill with which they avoided colliding with each other whilst wheeling, twisting and swooping. This illustrates the extreme rapidity of their mental perception and its translation into action, but in spite of these very useful qualifications the birds do not risk such exhibition displays of flight during very stormy weather. Members of a pack of grouse flushed during a gale of wind have been known to collide and kill each other in mid-air.

I remember on one occasion putting a grouse up near to a stone wall during very gusty weather. The bird had not proceeded far before it was caught by a terrific side blast and hurled against the wall. Falling to the ground it rose again, but instead of attempting to continue its flight parallel with the fence, took a course at right angles to it, and by a series of vigorous wing beats forced its way straight up into the eye of the wind, and then, turning right around, sailed away over the wall on outstretched wings. Grouse, like seagulls, appear to be able to read the signs of a coming storm, and frequently seek shelter before the breaking of the blast. I have known them to leave the exposed hilltops and descend even to the meadows right at the bottom of a Yorkshire dale before the oncoming of an exceptionally heavy gale accompanied by hail and rain.

Island Birds in a Hurricane.

Some years ago whilst in the outer Hebrides I noticed thousands of seagulls of different species sitting quite still in a pasture close to the Atlantic. Every head was turned toward the sea, from which a moderate breeze was blowing. By the middle of the afternoon the wind had increased to such hurricane force that pieces of foam as large as a man's head were being carried from the beach a quarter of a mile inland, and not a bird of any kind was to be seen on the wing. Anxious to see how my feathered friends were faring during such exceptional weather I struggled forth, sometimes progressing on my feet, and at others, in exposed places, on my hands and knees. I found common terns sheltering behind boulders at a considerable distance from the shore. Arriving at a vertical hole some 70 feet in diameter and 50 feet in depth in the roof of a long sea cave, I was astonished to discover a peregrine falcon sitting in the company of about 40 rock doves. The storm had actually made the lion lie down with the lambs. There was a great clatter of wings as the terrified birds rose from their place of shelter. The peregrine was carried down wind like a piece of paper and soon disappeared from sight, but the pigeons battled on their strong wings until I had retreated a little way, and all dived into the hole once more.

How much birds dislike windy weather may be gathered from their silence and lack of activity during a rough day in June. Whilst no bird likes to fly in a strong following wind on account of the liability of have its feathers ruffled, heavy-bodied short-winged species, such as ducks, appreciate a strong breeze in which to rise from the ground or water because of the increased resistance it affords.

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Did you notice the smile worn on Monday by the coal man, the plumber and the overcoat dealer?

The fellow who happened to have an old-fashioned stove and a little coal in the cellar on Sunday and Monday was a king in his own castle.

The only Democrat we know of who isn't out for a job under President Wilson is the Hon. John Noll. He is waiting for the lightning to strike him.

The filing of remonstrances against every liquor license application from Philipsburg places Judge Orvis in the position of being damned if he does and damned if he doesn't.

President-elect Wilson announces that when he takes possession at the White House the door to his private office will always be ajar. We fancy there will be many a jar inside the door, also.

Perhaps if Wilson place Bryans in his cabinet he will before long have cause to write another letter imploring his friends to find some way to "forever knock Bryan and Bryanism into a cocked hat."

If every Centre County Democrat who is after a job under Wilson is successful there will sure be a lot of Uncle Sam's coin scattered about in this neck o' woods. Let 'er come, let 'er come. There s room here for it.

President-elect Wilson might pour oil on the troubled waters by appointing the Hon. P. Gray Meek as Minister to Turkey. The said P. G. M. could go into training on December 25th. At that, he would make good.

A man in Philadelphia was recently arrested for kissing a girl on the porch. Recalls the charge against a Chicago men of stabbing a girl in the parlor, also that of a St. Louis man of punching a fellow in the cellar.

Until Governor Wilson was elected President you couldn't find a Democrat anywhere but who strongly advocated extending civil service to every job in sight. Now you can't find a Democrat but who wants civil service abolished. Something funny about that civil service business that it should so suddenly lose its warmest friends.

Perhaps an indorsement from our side of the political fence would do him more harm than good. As a fellow newspaper man we hope Editor Kurtz fares well in his aspirations to step into the shoes of another Centre County editor as Surveyor of the Port of Philadelphia. Since some Democrat is certain to get the $5000 plum here's hoping it comes to Centre County.

ANOTHER RAW DEAL.

Mr. Walter Camp, of Yale, each year at the close of the football season sits down and selects eleven players who are labeled by him the best in the world. These eleven players are then constituted into an imaginary football team and designated as the All-American Eleven. Somehow or other Mr. Walter Camp always seems to overlook Penn State College when he makes up his paper football team. This year proved to be no exception. Virtually every football critic during the course of the season picked Very, of Penn State, as a certain selection on Mr. Walter Camp's All-American eleven. When these critics presented their personal selections for their imaginary teams Very's name appeared in most of them. And it was a selection based strictly upon merit, for Very loomed up head and shoulders over virtually every opponent he faced on the gridiron this year.

But Mr. Walter Camp, it appears, is about the only man in football circles who was unable to see much merit in Very as a star player. The Penn State brilliant end was ignored by Mr. Walter Camp in the latter's All-American team for 1912. Penn State was not given so much as a pink ribbon, to say nothing of a blue one. Very was ignored by Mr. Walter Camp but not by others equally well fitted to judge. His claims are justly recognized by the many thousands of spectators who witnessed him on the field.

Penn State went through the season without a defeat and her goal line crossed but once. Very, Mauthe, Miller—in fact every man on the team, proved himself a star. Because Penn State is not accepted into the "big three" it has become a chronic habit to ignore her players by the Peerless One who takes unto himself the privilege of saying who are the eleven greatest football players on earth. For Penn State it is a raw deal. It is an insult to her football team. Mr. Walter Camp excluded Very from his All-American eleven, it is true, but it is equally true that Very is not excluded from the All-American team chosen by public sentiment and based solely on the merit of the players rather than the colleges or universities they happen to epresent. However, so long as Penn State plays the football she did this year she need not bother about what Mr. Walter Camp does or does not think.

SHOULD REVISE PARTY RULES.

Some months ago "The Republican" urged upon the Republicans of Centre county the importance of revising the rules of the Republican County Committee. Since that time, and especially following the November election, there has been considerable discussion of the subject. We earnestly hope this discussion will result in the revision that most Republicans concede to be needed.

Basing our suggestion upon results in other counties where the plan is in force, we proposed that the Republican rules be changed to provide for the election at the primaries of precinct chairman by the Republican voters of their respective precincts; that the precinct chairmen so elected constitute the Republican County Committee and as such elect the County Chairman. At present the County Chairman is elected at the primaries, although the party rules do not provide that it be done in this manner. The County Chairman at present appoints the members of the County Committee. It is doubtful if the present method of procedure would be upheld if it were tested in the courts.

In Dauphin County a few weeks ago the Republican County Committee met and revised its rules exactly along the lines proposed by "The Republican" for Centre County. The Harrisburg "Evening Telegraph," telling of the several changes to the rules, made this pertinent comment:

"Most important of all the changes is that providing for the election of county committeemen by the voters at the regular elections. Heretofore it has been customary for the county chairman to appoint the committeemen. Next in importance is the rule providing that the county chairman shall be elected by the county committeemen."

That the change proved to be a popular one with the Republicans of Dauphin County has been illustrated in a number of ways. The concensus of opinion there is that the changes to the party rules have done much toward creating good feeling in the ranks and inspiring harmony and cooperation. If the plan has worked out so well in many other counties as to result in its adoption in Dauphin County, doesn't it seem reasonable that it would have a tendency to strengthen the Republican party in Centre County? We believe it would.

Chairman Quigley, as he announced when a candidate for re-election, will relinquish the chairmanship on the first of the new year. That would be the logical time for the County Committee to revise the party rules. It might be that the retirement of both Chairman Quigley and Chairman Locke of the Washington party, in order that a compromise chairman be chosen, would tend to establish harmony. It is not clear, however, that the harmony would be of a permanent character. Dissatisfaction with the policies of the new chairman might develop at any time with one faction or the other, and this would, of course, mark the end of the harmony program. We believe the most effective way to securing harmony and active cooperation among Republicans is to have the Republican voters of each district select and elect their own county committeeman, and the county committee thus chosen then elect the county chairman.

We submit herewith for the consideration of Centre County Republicans a number of extracts from the revised rules as adopted by the Republican Committee of Dauphin County. It might be well to incorporate these features, or some of them, into the party rules for this county when the same are revised. The extracts from the Dauphin County rules follows:

The organization of the Republican party of Dauphin County shall consist of the following, to wit:

(a) A county committee to be composed of one (1) committeeman from each election district in the county, who shall be elected at the spring primary in each election district to serve for two years or at such other time as may be hereafter provided for by law. The committeemen shall be resident of the district which they represent and the terms of the elected committeemen shall commence on the first day of June in even-numbered years next ensuing their election. In case the electors of any election district shall fail to elect a member of the county committee, or a vacancy occurs in the county committee from any cause, the chairman of the county committee shall appoint a person residing in such district to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term.

(b) A county chairman, who shall be elected by the county committee, to serve for one year.

(c) Two (2) vice-chairmen who shall be elected by the county committee to serve for one year and be known as a first vice-chairman and second vice-chairman.

(c) A secretary and two (2) assistant secretaries, to be elected in like manner as the county chairman is elected, to serve for one year.

(d) A treasurer who shall be elected in like manner as the county chairman for one year.

No person shall be eligible to the office of chairman of the county committee who shall hold any office, either elective or by appointment, Federal, State, county or city during the term for which he is elected or who shall be a candidate for any such office.

The county chairman shall call a special meeting of the county committee at the request of any fifteen (15) committeemen, which request and call shall state the object of such meeting and no other business than that specified in such request or call shall be transacted or considered at such meeting. One-third of all the committeemen shall constitute a quorum at a special meeting called as provided in this section. In case of the neglect or refusal of the county chairman to call a meeting of the county committee within five (5) days when so required in pursuance of these rules, a majority of the entire county committee shall be and is hereby authorized to issue a call duly signed by said committeemen for such meeting of the county committee.

Five days' written or printed notice of all meetings of the county committee shall be given by mail to each member of the county committee.

At all meetings of the county committee, the county chairman shall preside. In his absence, the committee shall elect one of the vice-chairmen or, in their absence, one of its own number to preside.

The rules may be amended or altered from time to time by a two-thirds' vote in the affirmative of the members of the county committee present at a meeting of the same; provided, however, that before any proposed alteration or amendment be acted upon, the chairman of the county committee shall certify to all members thereof a full and correct copy of the proposed alteration or amendment at least ten (10) days before the time of meeting called for that purpose. Alterations and amendments must be in writing and may be offered by members of the county committee only, and shall not be submitted to the county committee by the county chairman unless subscribed to by at least fifteen (15) members thereof.

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AEROPLANE LECTURE

Henry M. Neely Gives Illustrated Address to State College Students.

A remarkably interesting and most instructive lecture was that delivered before the students of The Pennsylvania State College on Saturday night, last, by Henry M. Neely, of Philadelphia, whose timely subject was, "Aeroplanes—Why and How They Fly." Mr. Neely is an authority on aeronautics and his lecture was made doubly interesting by the fact that he used working models of aeroplanes, thus simplifying at once his story of how they are made and why they soar to dizzy heights. In clear, concise style Mr. Neely carried his audience with him, step by step, from the moment the aviator mounts the machine until he returns to earth. Moving pictures of a number of intensely thrilling flights, lantern slides showing famous birdmen in intimate poses, coupled with numerous personal anecdotes contributed toward making the evening one of rare enjoyment for all who were so fortunate as to be present to hear Mr. Neely's lecture.

Mr. Neely as a lecturer on aeroplanes and aerial navigation stands in a class by himself, his close study of the subject and his wide acquaintance with famous aviators serving to make him recognized as a national authority. He is one of the editors of the Philadelphia "Evening Telegraph" and the author of a number of interesting books. He became identified with some of the very first public exhibition aeroplane flights made in the United States and has ever since devoted his attention to the development of aviation. As chairman of the National Contest Commitee he was in charge of numerous large aviation meets in this country. He was one of the founders of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania and personally had much to do with the forming of various organizations throughout the country, which were subsequently brought into one body and known as the National Council of Aero Clubs of America. This organization now controls aeronautic affairs in the United States, all of which testifies to Mr. Neely's important part in the progress and advancement of aviation.

Appreciating the important part the airship is destined to play in war, as well as in peace, Mr. Neely has embodied this feature in his interesting lecture. He reveals the steps being taken to cope with the future by the great nations of the earth and shows how they are expending vast sums to adapt the aeroplane to military purposes. Mr. Neely knows his subject so intimately and is able to so clearly impart what he knows that his lecture is not only an education but a rare treat, as well, to any audience.

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Real Estate Transfers.

Recorder Francis Speer has recorded the following real estate transfers.

Arthur B. Lee Sheriff, to S. S. McCormick, 12 acres in Boggs township; $45.

Arthur B. Lee, Sheriff, to Mary C. Eckert, premises in Marion township; $310.

John M. Wieland, et ux, to L. E. Kidder, 2 lots in State College; $1400.

John Spencer, to John Bodenesak, tract in Snow Shoe township; $500.

Luthern Church Trustees, to Howard E. Wells, lot in Spring township; $1.

Lloyd Eckenroth, to Sadie C. Hile, tract in Spring township; $333.33

William Hile, et al, to Lloyd Eckenroth, tract in Spring township; $500.

W. D. Zerby, guardian, to Sadie C. Hile, tract in Spring township; $66.66.

Margaret H. Ammerman's heirs, to H. A. Ellis, premises in Boggs township; $125.

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11-27-4t.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Mrs. Fannie Carson, late of Patton Township, deceased.

Letters of administration in the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned by the Register of Wills of Centre County, Pennsylvania, all persons indebted to the said estate are hereby requested to make payment and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same duly authenticated without delay to

THOMAS A. HARTSOCK,
Administrator.
Stormstown, R. F. D.

Harry Keller, Att'y
11-21-6t

Public Sale.

The personal property of the estate of Mrs. Fannie Carson, deceased, late of Patton township, will be disposed of at public sale on Friday, December 13, 1912, by Thomas A. Hartsock, administrator. The several articles to be sold will include a bed room suit and other household goods. C. W. Hunter, auctioneer.

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The County at a Glance.

Howard.

John Lyon, of Beech Creek, was a visitor in this place on Monday.

Jason Snyder made a business trip to the county seat on Friday last.

Mrs. Irvin Reber was a passenger east onthe flyer on Monday afternoon.

Miss Lulu Schenck visited her sister Miss Grace at Milesburg on Sunday.

Ward Thompson, of Renovo, visited over Sunday with relatives in this vicinity.

Clarence Caywood departed on Monday for Altoona where he has secured employment.

Misses Florence and Elfreida Confer were visitors in the nearest city west of us on Sunday.

Miss Clark, of Mill Hall, visited several days last week at the home of Frank and Ella Butler.

Mrs. L. C. Thompson came in from Orviston last week to attend the regular meeting of the Rebekahs.

Mrs. G. L. Williams and children departed last week for Buffalo, where they will make their home for the winter.

Dr. William Hensyl, of Berwick, was a visitor last week with his sisters, Mrs. Dr. W. J. Kurtz and Mrs. William Weber.

Logan DeArment, a member of the fire department of Johnstown, is visiting his parents this week, Mr. and Mrs. Foster DeArment.

Williard McDowell departed on Monday for Eastern cities where he will again take treatment for the betterment of his physical condition.

Herbert Pletcher departed on Thursday last to resume his employment at Detroit after being detained several weeks on account of sickness.

Among the numerous shipments from this place, one was a carload of fine looking sheep, shipped by George Harter of Jacksonville to Philadelphia.

Balser Weber has men at work erecting poles along the railroad from the rolling mill to the hotel, presumably to carry wires for electric lighting purposes.

Mrs. John S. Holter and daughters, Margaret and Marian, departed on Monday for their home in Johnsonburg, after visiting here for a week with grandma, Bennison.

Ellis Ertle, of Pittsburg, employed as brakeman on passenger train between that place and Altoona by the P. R. R. Co., visited over Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ertle.

The Howard High School will hold its third Literary Meeting for the term tomorrow (Friday) evening in the High School room. A question similar to one debated during this term has been proposed. It is hoped that this question will not make the trouble that the previous one did. Let everyone attend this last meeting for this year.

THE INDEX!

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Pine Grove Mills.

Had zero weather Monday morning.

Mrs. Mary Glenn is housed up with a bealed jaw.

A good deal of fall plowing has been done throughout the valley.

Our mutual friend, Andy Lytle, is laid up with an attack of tonsilitis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kimport were Sunday visitors at State College.

Miss Bertha Corl is ill, having suffered an attack of acute indigestion.

Miss Maud Fry is under the doctor's care, being in the clutches of the grip.

John Garner will succeed Ed. Ishler on the Musser farm, taking possession at once.

Mrs. Mary Lytle is arranging a trip to Staten Island, N. Y., to spend the holiday season with her two sisters.

Mrs. Eva Wagner, of Altoona, is spending a week with her many friends down Penns valley, the home of her youth.

Mrs. William D. Port went to Altoona on Monday to visit her daughter, Mary Smith, who is quite ill as the result of a hard fall.

Wednesday evening the members of Penns valley Lodge, No. 276, I. O. O. F., with their friends, will hold their annual banquet in their spacious hall, at 8.30 o'clock.

On April 1st N. E. Hess will quit the old farm and retire to his splendid residence at State College. George Swabb will till the broad and fertile acres next season.

E. S. Tressler, who has been with the State road people over in Fulton County, is taking a few days' rest before going to Altoona for a winter's job in the quarry business for a Philadelphia firm.

Mrs. Mary J. Stewart and Mrs. Ollie Bowersox, both of Altoona, are visitors at the G. W. McWilliams home, lending a helping hand during his serious illness. We are glad to note that he is now much improved and with a little aid he is able to get about the room.

The Ed. Ishler sale on the Fred Musser farm near State College on Wednesday was a ringer. Bidding was brisk and most things brought top notch prices. It was a clean-up sale, as Mr. Ishler is moving to York State, where he has purchased a farm.

That famous bird, the Stork, was busy last week, visiting the homes of Clifford Reed and Harry Sauers, leaving a girl baby at each, also finding time to call at Lloyd Frank's, where a chubby little son now graces the home. All are doing nicely.

Tomorrow, Friday, evening the Reformed church ladies will give an entertainment entitled, "The New Minister," in the I. O. O. F. hall, and on Saturday evening the Methodist Episcopal church ladies will hold a festival at the same place. All are most cordially invited.

Miss Florence Gibboney and Miss Pearl Benjamin, efficient and obliging hello girls at the Commercial Exchange, State College, enjoyed an early Sunday morning walk to spend the day with friends at Fairbrook. They returned home the same evening, none the worse for the sixteen miles hike.

Fiedler.

Mrs. Eva Kern, of Sugar valley, visited her father, Samuel Boyer, a few days last week.

The stork was around on Monday and left a nice little boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stover.

Dr. John Bowersox and little son John, of York, spent Thanksgiving at the home of his parents, Dr. Bowersox's.

Mrs. H. O. Fiedler and son Ray, and Mrs. Cloyd Fiedler spent a few days visiting at Bellefonte, where the former's son, Ghernis, was in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Miller and little grandson, of Rebersburg, are spending some time at the home of the lady's brother, Charles W. Wolf.

Miss Grace Hosterman and Miss Mable Bowes, accompanied by their grandfather, Henry Zerby, visited friends at Farmers Mills over Sunday.

Dr. John Hardenburg, of Millheim, on Friday finished the State Examination of School Children in this township, with the Chapel school which is also the largest school.

H. O. Fiedler returned from Bellefonte on Tuesday, accompanied by his son, Ghernis, who underwent an operation in the Bellefonte hospital. The young man is much improved and his friends hope for a speedy recovery.

While tussling with several boys at school on Friday, Fred Wolf, son of Charles W. Wolf, had the misfortune to have his leg broken. Dr. Frank reduced the fracture and Fred will have to stay at home for some weeks.

Blanchard.

Henry Clark, of Monument, was a visitor here on Monday.

While Thomas Furl, of Beech Creek, was helping with the butchering at Harry W. Heverly's, at Maidsville, last Saturday, he was stricken with paralysis and for a time was unconscious. His condition is critical. He is about 60 years old.

The dwelling house and lot of the estate of the late Benjamin Brown was sold by the administrators on Saturday to the highest bidder. Louis Bolapne, a farmer of nearby Blanchard, was the purchaser, the exchange price being $855.

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Port Matilda.

Mrs. William Bennett was shopping in Altoona on Saturday.

Moses Mains is wearing a broad smile over the arrival of a new boy.

Charles Thompson and wife, of Tyrone, spent a day at Dr. Harshberger's last week.

William Robison, of Altoona, was home at his father's W. S. Robison, over Sunday.

George Shipley, who is employed by the P. R. R. Co. at Tyrone, spent a few days at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Jones, of New Castle, are visiting at A. J. Johnson's and other relatives.

Mrs. Woomer and daughter, of Bald Eagle, helped with the butchering at W. E. Williams on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Jones spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. M. Graham, at Newton Hamilton.

James Gill, of Delaware County, an uncle of Mrs. Osman and Mrs. A. S. Price, are visiting friends and relatives in town.

Mrs. Emery McAfee, of Stormstown, has been very sick at the home of her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Jones, of this place.

Preaching services will be held in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Come and hear Rev. Mr. Carson.

On Monday night, Madora, wife of Henry Bennett, passed into the Great Beyond after about a year's illness. Her death is deeply mourned.

Mrs. Velta Brooks, of Curtin, and Mrs. Dr. Slagle and little daughter, of State College, were visitors at Postmaster Osman's during the past week.

Rev. Mr. Lathrop, a former pastor of the Baptist church in this place, has been in our vicinity for the past few days and held services for the Baptist church.

Rev. Artz, the United Brethren minister, preached a fine sermon in the Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Harding, an Anti-Saloon Worker from Altoona, was also present.

On Saturday evening, December 14th, the ladies of the Methodist Episcopal church will hold a chicken and waffle supper in Reese Hall. Ice cream, cake, and home-made candy will also be sold. Proceeds for the repairing of the church. Your patronage is earnestly solicited.

The Death Angel entered the home of W. E. Williams, on Monday night, and took away little Harold. Services were held at the house Wednesday morning and interment was made in the M. E. cemetery at Bald Eagle. The heartfelt sympathies of the community are extended to the bereaved parents.

Last Thursday a popular young couple of our town slipped quietly away and were united in the bonds of matrimony. Therman Weiser, a well known young man, and Sarah Woodring, daughter of H. C. Woodring, were the contracting parties. They went to Altoona, accompanied by Mrs. O. C. Johnson of Tyrone, where the ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Williams, of the Broad Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. They left the next day for Chicago, their future residence, stopping for a few days in Pittsburgh. Every one joins in wishing them a happy and prosperous life.

Mt. Eagle.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles From were Bellefonte visitors on Saturday evening.

Miss Myers and a lady friend visited on Sunday with Miss Florence Leathers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Deitz were doing some shopping in Bellefonte one day recently.

Mrs. J. R. Pheasant on Sunday went to Altoona to spend the week with her daughters and stepsister.

Mrs. Arch Bathurst and child went to Howard on Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. James Hays.

Rev. Mr. Dunning at this writing has a revival meeting in progress in the Kennedy M. E. church.

Toner Mann, of Marsh Creek, visited and had dinner on Sunday with his sister, Mrs. William Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bryan, of Curtin, are spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. T. G. Leathers.

Mr. and Mrs. Justice O. Leathers went to Bellwood on Sunday morning to see the latter's sister, Mrs. A. A. Aikey.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. Strickland and little girl spent Friday night in Lock Haven with Mrs. Strickland's mother, Mrs. Culvey.

Miss Anna Deitz, who is a nurse-in-training at the Lock Haven hospital, spent Saturday evening at her home here. She is looking well.

Ward Daughenbaugh on Thursday last moved his family and household goods to Howard. John Turner moved into the property vacated by the Daughenbaughs.

The Anderson Bros. on Saturday shipped their big shovel down to the Tobias farm where they will make a cut. The small shovel, which had been at Howard, was brought here to finish the cut at this place and also shovel out the subway. This will take about two weeks.

Lemont.

John I. Williams is visiting with his daughter and brother-in-law at DuBois.

There will be services in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning at 10.30.

Samuel Goodman and son Clayton, of Altoona, were visiting among friends last week.

The State put in drainage across the road about a quarter of a mile from Lemont and made a bad failure out of it.

John Weaver, the son of Samuel Weaver, was greatly surprised on Monday evening when a host of his friends gathered at his home to help celebrate his birthday. All report of having a good time.

Mrs. Alice Williams and grand-daughter, of this place, are visiting her sons at East Altoona and Juniata, and expect to visit her brother at Clearfield before returning home.

TAKE OVER PLANT

Formal Transfer of Nittany Light, Heat & Power Co. at State College.

The formal transfer of the Nittany Light, Heat & Power Company, of State College, to A. J. Musser and Asbury Lee, of Clearfield; former State Senator John S. Fisher, of Indiana, and others, was consummated on Saturday morning, of last week. The new owners are now in possession of the plant. Messrs. Musser, Lee and Fisher spent a short time in Bellefonte before motoring to State College to close the deal. They returned here later in the day.

The new owners of the State College plant are the men who some time ago obtained charters for electric companies in Milesburg, Howard, Unionville, State College and one or two other towns. Subsequently they obtained local franchises from the borough Councils in Milesburg and Unionville. The negotiations for the purchase of the Nittany Light, Heat & Power Company were opened almost one year ago. The new owners say their plans call for operating electric companies in a number of sections of Centre County. Their plans in detail have not been announced.

Mrs. F. H. Swabb Dead.

Emma, wife of F. H. Swabb died quite suddenly at noon on Sunday, last from bronchial trouble. She had been about as usual and no one thought the end was so near at hand. Her death came as a profound shock to a host of admiring friends. Deceased was a daughter of Thomas and Mary Leech Black and was born in the east end of Stone valley 61 years ago. On September 17, 1878, she became the wife of Frank Swabb, and most of their married life was spent in Harris township. Her later years were spent where she died, at her residence at Pine Grove Mills. Her husband and eight children mourn the loss of a good wife and a loving, devoted mother. The children are Mrs. Blanche Erb, of Maryland; Mrs. Margaret Gearhart, of Minnesota; Mrs. George M. and Mrs. Fred Williams, of Pine Grove Mills; Mary H., Grace L., Bertha I., and Claud L., at home. One child, Francis, is dead also one sister, Mrs. Effie Auman, of Altoona. Mrs. Swabb was a devoted and active member of the Lutheran church, always taking a deep interest in religious affairs and endeavoring to make others happy. Burial was made on Monday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock in the new cemetery at Pine Grove Mills, the services being held from the church, with Rev. L. S. Spangler officiating.

Theodore N. Reber Dead.

Word was received this week of the death of Theodore N. Reber at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on December 1st. last. His death occurred in the St. Vincent Sanitarium at that place and was due to hemorrhage of the brain. Mr. Reber will be pleasantly remembered by many of the older residents of Howard, at which place he was born and raised. At the time of his death he was aged 75 years. When a young man he followed the canal. He later built a number of properties at Howard. He was a splendid type of citizen and was well and favorably known in his home community. He went West when he was aged about 30 years, continuing to make his home in that part of the country to the time of his death. He visited his old home section on a number of occasions and always held a deep affection for the scenes and friends of his boyhood days. He was a brother of S. I. Reber, of Howard, and the father of Mrs. Bert Poulson, of Titusville, Pa. With the death of Theodore Reber, S. I. Reber becomes the last surviving of five brothers.

2ND WEEK OF COURT

College Township Damage Suit Among Cases Disposed of.

L. D. Herritt vs. C. Reese, an action on judgment continued as not being at issue.

W. C. Lingle vs. Gellatly O'Donnell Company Incorporated, being an action in assumpsit; continued.

Thomas Fishburn vs. College Township, being an action in trespass. This case grows out of misunderstanding between the township officials and the plaintiff when the defendants changed the location of a bridge across Slab Cabin Branch in defendant'stownship. Defendant's officials contending that the plaintiff had suggested the point for the placing of a bridge and that if the defendant township is anywhere near right he he would be satisfied, which the plaintiff and his witnesses deny, alleging that he being asked the place to locate the bridge had declined on the ground that the supervisors could place it where they saw fit and told them so, but requested the district to keep him in the same condition as he was previous to the change of the bridge. During the change of the bridge the plaintiff was cut off from his watering place for his stock in the stream, and after the completion of the bridge until late in the fall of the year 1910. That the bridge being completed in June of that year the water had not been turned from the old channel into the new and that by reason of a wall built across his water lane he had no use of his water place he was obliged to drive his stock out on the public road west of the bridge to a decided disadvantage to himself. While the defendant alleged that at the time of the completion of the bridge a small trench had been dug and water flowed through the bridge, and that the defendant did not know that no water was passing through the new channe until some time in August and was unable to get help labor to change it until the latter part of October or beginning of November when a wall or dyke was built across the old channel and the water turned into the new channel under the new bridge. Verdict on Tuesday afternoon in favor of the defendant.

M. Blanche Cook Gibson, assignee of William Sellers and Edward Sellers, Administrators of etc. of William L. Sellers, deceased, vs. Edward Sellers, with notice to John N. Krumrine, Trustee in Bankruptcy of Edward Sellers, being an action to recover on a mortgage. There being no defense a verdict was rendered in favor of the plaintiff for $973.50.

L. D. Herritt, in his own right, and Northern Central Trust Company, Administrators of the estate of J. Franklin Corbert, deceased vs. Elizabeth S. Meyer and W. H. McIntire, Administrators of the Estate of J. C. Meyer, deceased, being an action in assumpsit and no defense a verdict was rendered in favor of the plaintiffs and against the defendants for $2014.50.

College township vs. Thomas M. Fishburn, being an action in trespass.

This is an action in trespass to recover contribution or indemnity for a claim which the plaintiff district was obliged to pay for damages or loss of a colt of Mr. Bohn's who had brought an action in trespass against the plaintiff district and recovered on the ground of negligence. The colt of Mr. Bohn's having gotten away and being injured on the State College road along the lands of the defendant by becoming entangled in some barb wire lying along the public road and near defendant's fence. The plaintiff bringing this action to recover the amount paid for the colt as well as costs and attorney fees for the negligence in allowing this wire to lie along the fence and not removing it. At the close of the plaintiff's case defendant moved the Court for a compulsory non-suit on the ground that one wrong doer could not recover from another wrong doer. This motion was overruled subject to the passing upon the law by the Court, when defendants moved for binding instructions to the jury. The plaintiff not being able to show that it was entitled to recover attorney fees was obliged to strike this from the claim and the case was submitted to the jury which was directed to find a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of $213.30, subject to the question of law reserved by the Court included in the defendant's request and motion, namely, whether or not there was any evidence that would permit the plaintiff to recover.

On Tuesday afternoon John Taylor, who was last week convicted or malicious mischief for dynamiting a bridge and fence and also for cruelty to animals, called to the bar of the Court and after his attorney had made a strong plea for leniency replied to by the District Attorney, the Court sentenced the defendant on the cruelty to animals case, to pay all costs of prosecution, a fine of $150, and undergo imprisonment in the County jail for a period of six months; and suspended sentence in the malicious mischief case.

Court adjourned on Wednesday forenoon until Saturday morning at ten o'clock when license court will be held.

In addition to the opinions filed by the Court and reported last week, the following opinions were at the same time filed in the Orphans' Court:

In the Estate of Amanda Walker, late of Boggs Township, which is an application to strike off the confirmation of a Trustee's account. Application refused.

In the Estate of Mary Ellen Hepburn, late of Bellefonte, exceptions to Auditor's report. Auditor's report modified.

Marriage Licenses.

Fred Brown,	Spring Mills
Blanche Moyer,	"
William Stover,	Zion
Catherine Bathurst,	Curtin
James Liddick,	Hublersburg
Carrie Smith,	Axe Mann
George J. D. Fike,	Bellefonte
Isodora A. Williams,	Lemont

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KEELER CONVICTED

(Continued from first page)

F. F. Shurig was in tap room when Keeler came in the day of the shooting, heard him say to Rowles, "there'll be trouble; don't interfere; I'm a bad man." After going to the boiler room started to leave the grounds when I heard someo e calling my name and saw Kirchner reeling. Kirchner said I'm shot; send for the doctor. He told me Keeler shot him. I telephoned for the physicians.

George F. Carson who was also shot by Keeler, worked at the brewery. Saw Keeler come there and said to him "Hello, Jack." In reply Keeler said, "Go to hell." Heard Keeler say to Kirchner, "You're another one I want." He told of the shooting of himself.

Earle Thorn told of meeting Keeler on railroad track when coming from work that evening just after the shooting; met him near the brewery barn, about 150 feet from the office. Keeler had a revolver in his hand. Thorn said to Keeler, "Don't shoot anybody," Keeler replied "I won't; by God I did."

Peter Nebgin told of talking to Keeler the day before and of Keeler saying he would be back to work Saturday morning. Mr. Roessner told him he had another man in his place. Keeler demanded pay for two extra hours and Roessner told him he had paid him all he had coming. Keeler then said he "would get the money or there will be hell to pay around here tomorrow."

Harvey Keller, driver, told of Keeler coming in late from a trip the week before Labor Day and saying in the boiler house, "these people around here are getting funny and I can get funny too, and when I get started I'll do some dirt."

JACK KEELER

(Photograph published by courtesy of Clearfield Republican.)

Herman Meise said he heard Keeler say, "some day I'll start something and I'll do it damn bad."

Harry Ardery said he heard Keeler say last July or August, "things around here need a shaking up, and when I get started it will be done up proper."

Howard Brown, of DuBois, clerk in Hibner & Hoover's hardware store, told of Keeler buying the revolver in that town on the afternoon of September 14, day of the shooting.

C. Wilson, of DuBois, told of meeting Keeler in a barroom in that town the day of the shooting and having several drinks with Keeler, all beer. Heard Keeler say, "I am going over to Clearfield and raise hell."

William Hockman, conductor of the passenger train between DuBois and Clearfield told of Keeler coming over the afternoon of September 14; of failing to get his ticket first time around the train; going back for it and Keeler saying, "this ticket will take me to Clearfield or jail or some other place."

C. S. Holes met Keeler in DuBois that Saturday afternoon about two o'clock and Keeler partly pulled a revolver from his pocket and said, "I am going to raise hell."

The Commonwealth rested at the conclusion of Holes testimony and the defense opened their side of the case, Mr. Liveright making the opening address. He said the defense would show that Keeler's mind was in such a condition from excessive drink that he was not able to premeditate the commission of such a crime. He said they would show that Keeler was not responsible for what he did that afternoon; they would prove that he was so drunk that he could not possibly be accountable to the extent of a first degree verdict. He did not claim Keeler was not responsible for the killing or that he should escape punishment; but the grade of the crime was not first degree.

Several witnesses were called who met Keeler in DuBois that afternoon and they all thought he was somewhat under the influence of liquor. Several witnesses were called to tell of Keeler's reputation as a peaceable, law abiding citizen.

When court convened Thursday morning Keeler took the stand. He told the story of coming to Clearfield eight years ago, working at different places and finally at the Clearfield Brewery the two years previous to the shooting on September 14th. He worked as extra driver; admitted he was dissatisfied with conditions at various times; denied one and all the threats imputed to him by witnesses for the Commonwealth as made about his work, the hours, pay and so forth. Admitted the settlement made with Mr. Roessner on Thursday evening. Said he went to DuBois, Friday evening and had been drinking considerably that day and on the day following. Claimed the revolver he purchased at Hibner & Hoover's hardware store in the town was a hammer gun and he purchased it before dinner of the day the shooting occurred and not after dinner, as sworn to by Howard Brown, the clerk. Remembered getting on the train for Clearfield but little that occurred on train and remembered getting off train when it stopped at the brewery. Went straight to barroom of brewery and saw Kirchner there; after that his memory was a blank and he did not come to himself until he was down on the railroad bridge where he met his son, who told him he had shot Mr. Ogden.

He denied knowing anything of the shooting of Roessner, Ogden, Kirchner and Carson and denied any knowledge of the threats sworn to as being made just previous to the shooting against anyone. He denied having had any feeling against any of the men shot or any other persons about the brewery. Claimed he ran away and hid in the brush in order to think it all over and determine what was best to do. Said he saw the posses hunting for him all of the following Sunday and Monday.

Keeler did not make a very good witness for himself. He was very evasive and not at all direct in any of his statements. When asked if he had not admitted to Dr. Mitchell in jail that when Kirchner refused him a drink he leered at him and that made him mad and then the trouble started, he said he had made such statement but it was based on what some one had told him about what might have caused the trouble; but he could not name the person who should have told him.

The Commonwealth called several witnesses in rebuttal after Keeler left the stand.

The jury retired on Thursday and returned a verdict of guilty on Friday. Keeler showed no emotion when he heard the verdict announced. His wife was present at the time. He will be called for sentence probably next week.

Schwab's Luxurious Car.

Charles M. Schwab, of South Bethlehem, recently received his new private car, Loretto. It is the most expensive private car in this country and cost $130,000. It is not an entirely new car, but his old Loretto remodeled. The trend of modern circumstances caused Mr. Schwab to have his old Loretto reduced in size so that he could take it through the tubes across the Hudson River in New York city right into the heart of the city. Then, too, whereas the old Loretto was of wood construction, the new car is of steel.

The interior is of solid mahogany and in many places is inlaid with gold and silver filigree and pearl, while the carving is of the most pleasing sort. At the rear is a wide observation platform and from this one steps into a roomy library or drawing room. Next is Mr. Schwab's bedroom and then comes Mrs. Schwab's room, the two being separated by a modern bathroom built entirely of Italian marble. Along the side of the car extends a corridor, on which both bedrooms open. Then comes a spacious dining room, next a strictly modern kitchen, a rest room upholstered in leather for the chef, separate toilet rooms for the chef, maid and valet, and toilet room for the train crew, while half of the front platform is occupied with a large refrigerator. There are also sleeping rooms for the maid and valet. The car is slightly over eighty-five feet in length.

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A Watch That Recalls Brave Deed.

Mrs. Warren L. White, of Altoona, recently visited her father-in-law, Lawrence White, in Huntingdon, Mrs. White is a daughter of the late J. C. Hess, the engineer of the Day Express who saved the lives of many passengers at Conemaugh on the 31st day of May, 1889, in the Johnstown flood. The engineer, it will be remembered, ran his train to a high point on his own responsibility, without official orders, and thus saved from death by drowning several hundred people at least. For this act of heroism, says the Huntingdon Globe, Mr. Hess was presented with a beautiful gold watch, which is in the possession of Mrs. White. The watch cost $450. It is the product of the Hampton Watch Co., and was made to order of 14 karat gold. On the front of the case are the initials of Mr. Hess worked into a monogram in a keystone, surrounded by clusters of forget-me-nots. On the back of the case is an elk, studded with a large diamond inside a star. Inside the case the following words are beautifully engraved: "Presented to J. C. Hess by persons whose lives he saved at Conemaugh, May 31, 1889." It is the most beautiful watch we have have ever seen. The daughter of the deceased engineer prizes it most highly.

Dr. William Sadler, author of "The Cause and Cure of Colds," says that common colds should be taken seriously, especially when they "hang on." Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a reliable household medicine for coughs and colds, equally effective for children and for grown persons. Take it when you feel a cold coming on. It will avert danger of serious results and cure quickly. No harmful drugs. Sold by C. M. Parrish.—Advt.

Mrs. Gadwall's Premium

A Case of False Economy

By CLARISSA MACKIE

"You save 184 soap wrappers and you get a parlor lamp!" declared Mrs. Gadwall enthusiastically. "I should think you'd be willing to bring down a few bars of soap each week so as to have a new lamp for the parlor, Henry!" She emphasized his name in order to arouse his wavering interest.

"Eh?" ejaculated Henry, rattling his newspaper impatiently.

"You were not listening to a word I said," reproached Mrs. Gadwall.

"Yes, I was, Sarah. I heard every word," he equivocated, emerging from behind the paper and turning his gaze upon her, now with undoubted interest.

"Well, what did I say?"

Mr. Gadwall hesitated. While he had been reading an especially delectable bit of baseball news the voice of Sarah, his wife, had floated over, around and under the newspaper, and, although he was skilled in sometimes guessing the purport of her conversation when he had not been listening, now he was quite nonplused. But he hazarded a guess, based on previous complaints.

"You said we needed a new sofa for the parlor, but that we must have a lamp first," said Mr. Gadwall boldly.

His wife's smile warned him that he had committed himself in some way. "You are too clever for me, Henry," she said sweetly. "We do need the sofa, and you have promised it to me for Christmas. About the lamp—by saving 184 Bubble Froth soap wrappers we can get a beautiful lamp as a premium. It won't cost us a penny."

"Well?" inquired Mr. Gadwall.

"What do you think of the idea?"

"Do Flower & Meal keep it?"

"No—there's the trouble. It can only be bought at one of the Bubble Froth stores in town. I thought you would not mind bringing down a box of soap now and then. When you're commuting it's easy to stop in one of their downtown stores and get a small box."

"Very well," returned Mr. Gadwell relievedly; "if that's all that's required I guess we can have a parlor lamp. Why not wait a little while—not as long as you will be collecting soap wrappers—and go to a china store and buy a lamp straight?"

"That's Gadwall extravagance!" lamented Mrs. Gadwall. "What is the use of paying $15 for a lamp when I can get a fifteen dollar lamp free with only 184 soap wrappers?"

"Enough said!" declared Mr. Gadwall crisply. "Make out your soap order and I'll bring some up tomorrow night, although I won't promise to shave with it."

The next evening when Mr. Gadwall alighted from the train at Lawn Villas he carried a weighty package down the half mile of road that separated him from his suburban home.

He thumped it down on the kitchen table with a mighty groan. "There, Sarah! The next consignment of this confounded soap you want you can have sent down by express! My arm is stiff and sore."

Mrs. Gadwall was busily cutting the cords that confined the cakes of soap. "I thought if you brought the soap down we could save express charges and have the lamp a clear profit," she explained. "There, that's the toilet soap. Isn't it sweet and refreshing, Henry?"

"Smells greasy," he declared, wrinkling his nose with disgust.

"See the trademark, Henry—a magician scrubbing a little black boy white with Bubble Froth soap," pursued Mrs. Gadwall, undaunted by his criticism. "Isn't it appropriate?"

"It would be more appropriate if they had the magician transforming a worn out horse into a cake of Bubble Froth soap," grinned Mr. Gadwall, somewhat mollified by this flash of his own wit.

"Henry Gadwall! Why, it says on the wrapper that it is made from purely vegetable oils."

"Then if that's so it must be made from horseradish," he retorted, escaping from the room.

After that it became a common sight to see Henry Gadwall staggering home under a load of soap. Somehow the large cakes softened and melted mysteriously in the water and did not last. It made what Mr. Gadwall called a "violent" lather, which was the only quality borne out by the highly colored advertisements.

At first all the Gadwalls used Bubble Froth soap, but after little Horace Gadwall's tender skin had broken forth in an alarming eruption, which the family physician declared to be due to the use of the soap, his cake of castile was restored to his little fingers, and one member of the family was freed from the thralldom of the new cleanser.

Mr. Gadwall was the next deserter from the ranks. He claimed that the new soap did not properly cleanse, that it's perfume was disagreeable, and, moreover, that it chapped his skin. As cold weather was coming on, he could testify to this latter fact by displaying cracked and bleeding fingers and lips from the too vigorous use of the soap.

As for Mrs. Gadwall, as time went on she grew to hate the very sight of Bubble Froth soap. Her washerwoman complained that it did not properly cleanse the clothes. Her maid protested that it was useless for dishwashing. Her own experience was that it was ruining her own good complexion, and still with a persistence worthy of a better object she stuck to the soap. Although in the cellar there was accumulated a formidable pile of unused cakes on a shelf in a dark corner, while Mr. Gadwall made his periodical purchases of soap and Mrs. Gadwall saved the wrappers.

The parlor lamp loomed up largely on the horizon now. Mrs. Gadwall had made a trip to town and looked at the articles displayed in the large premium rooms of the Bubble Froth people, and she came home with renewed confidence and enthusiasm concerning a very handsome lamp she had seen.

"Wrought iron base, Henry, and has an art shade highly ornamented with art glass in amber, and it has a long beaded fringe. It's just beautiful!"

"Very well, my dear; I'm glad you like it," returned Henry Gadwall, who was quite weary of the lamp by this time. In gloomy moments he had declared that his dishes, his clothes and his home smelled rankly of Bubble Froth soap.

Mrs. Gadwall had changed three washerwomen on account of the soap, and she had only retained Bridget because she had promised that hard-working damsel her own choice of soaps if she would remain. Then there were more unused cakes added to the pile in the cellar, and after awhile no one in the house used it, but Mrs. Gadwall continued to purchase it, for the lamp was a tangible thing now, with only ten more soap wrappers standing between it and the Gadwall's front parlor.

At last one snowy morning in February Mrs. Gadwall untied the small package her husband had brought home the night before and disclosed the last ten cakes of soap that she had asked him to purchase. Gayly she stripped off the wrappers and once more counted the total number she possessed—184 at last!

Half an hour after luncheon she came into the kitchen dressed for outdoors. "Bridget," she announced, "I'm going into town on the 2:03. You will look after little Horace when he wakes from his nap?"

"Yes, ma'am," said Bridget cheerfully as her mistress laid a shining half dollar on the kitchen table. "I'm afraid you'll be havin' a terrible time of it. It's rainin' now and freezin' as it falls."

"I shall probably return with Mr. Gadwall," said she hastily, "and, oh, Bridget!"

"Yes, ma'am."

"If the charities department wagon should call for contributions you can give them all that soap in the cellar."

"Yes, ma'am—there'll be 142 cakes, I'm thinkin'," returned Bridget.

Mrs. Gadwall clutched the bag containing her soap wrappers and walked warily to the station. It was all up hill, and she had to tramp in the middle of the snowy road. It was raining and freezing as it fell. She told herself that they would have to take a cab when she and Henry returned that evening.

But somehow she missed her husband. Delayed street traffic made her late in reaching his office, and he had departed for home on an earlier train, so his stenographer said. "On account of the storm," the young woman had added.

Mrs. Gadwall was late in reaching the premium store of the soap company, but at last she surrendered her precious wrappers and received in return a large and showy lamp with much "art" glass in its makeup.

"Shall we send it, madam?" inquired the clerk, but Mrs. Gadwall recollected that the Colvins were coming over to play cards that evening, and she wanted the lamp to display to their admiring and possibly envious eyes.

"I will carry it if you will wrap it carefully," she said, and in spite of his protestations against the icy and inclement weather Mrs. Gadwall set forth with two huge bundles, one containing the lamp and the other the precious "art" glass globe.

She dismounted from the train at Lawn Villas with several other commuters, who, laden with bundles, railed at the delayed service on the line. The storm had ceased, stars shone overhead, but underfoot the walking was icy and treacherous.

At different turnings one after another of her fellow travelers left her until Mrs. Gadwall had to make her way down her own dimly lighted street alone. She passed the Colvins' house and, seeing a light in an upper room, decided that they were preparing for their card game.

The sight caused her to hasten her steps. Faster she walked, noting with satisfaction that Henry had cleared the walks in front of their place and wondering why he had not come forth to meet her. The lamp and shade were fearfully heavy, and her arms ached from carrying them, as well as her clumsy fur muff.

She managed to open the gate with an elbow and started down the walk toward the front door, which flew open at that instant, disclosing the anxious face of Mr. Henry Gadwall.

"Is that you, Sarah?" he asked.

Before Mrs. Gadwall could reply her weary feet struck a bit of ice and treacherously deposited her in a crashing heap at the foot of the front steps.

"What is all this?" demanded her husband after he had picked her up and assured himself that she was unharmed. "What is all this broken stuff, Sarah?"

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The lines reach the cities, the big towns and the little towns, so that whether the impulse to travel be for business, pleasure, or social purposes, it may be satisfactorily carried out, as far as transportation facilities are concerned, by taking a Pennsylvania train at the nearest point.

Though cars are operated over the lines between all important centres of population, and an excellent dining car service is available at the usual hours for meals on the through trains. The all-steel equipment of the trains adds greatly to the security and comfort of passengers.

The spirit of the holiday season stimulatesthe wish to travel, and the facilities of the Pennsylvania Railroad and its connections appeal with equal force to home-coming young folks and the migrating people of maturer years.

The comprehensive train service, apart from the local trains well known in each community, covers a wide extent of territory.

BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST.

There are splendid limited trains between New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Harrisburg, Altoona, Pittsburgh, and points in the West, notably Chicago and St. Louis. Included among these are the "BROADWAY LIMITED," the 20-hour train between New York and Chicago; the "24-HOUR ST. LOUIS," to St. Louis and Chicago; "THE PENNSYLVANIA LIMITED," to Chicago, St. Louis, Cleveland, and Cincinnati; and the "CHICAGO LIMITED," to Chicago, Cincinnati, and Cleveland. These are all-Pullman trains and provide the highest grade of service. In addition there are a number of Express trains to Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Louisville, Indianapolis, Columbus, Cleveland, Toledo, Detroit, and other important centres of the Middle West, which provide both Pullman and all-steel coach service. Among these are the "Cnicago Special," "Chicago Express," "St. Louis Express," "Western Express," and the "Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago Express."

TO THE SOUTH

Those contemplating a trip South, to the resorts of the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, and the Gulf Coast, will find a number of fine trains between the important terminal cities of the Pennsylvania Railroad; and cars to the more important cities of the South, running through from and to New York via Washington, Baltimore, and Philadelphia. On January 6, 1913, the through Limited Trains between New York and Florida will be placed in service.

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An examination of the time tables of the Pennsylvania Railroad will show that practically all important commercial centres on its lines and connections are linked by through trains, through cars, or convenient connections, affording accommodating servie.

Anyone who wishes to go anywhere should consult the nearest Ticket Agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad. He can give all the information a traveler requires,

NEW PENSION LAW

Pensioners to be Paid Without Separate Vouchers Under New Act.

From this date Centre county people who receive pensions from the federal government, will be paid except in certaincases, without separate vouchers or receipts from the pensioners, in accordance with an act of congress approved August 17, 1912, which directs that the checks for such payment shall be transmitted to the pensioner's last known address and provides further—

"That postmasters, delivery clerks, letter carriers, and all other postal employes are prohibited from delivering any such mail to any porson whomsoever if the addresses has died or removed, or in the case of a widow believed by the postal employes intrusted with the delivery of such mail to have remarried; and the postmaster in every such case shall forthwith return such mail with a statement of the reasons for so doing and if because of death or remarriage, the date thereof, if known.

For the purpose of identification of the mail matter to which said provision applies, the evenvelope will have on its face, in addition to the return request, the following instructions:

To the postmaster:

This act of August 17, 1912, prohibits the delivery of this letter to any person if the addressee has died or removed, or being a widow, is believed to have remarried, and requires its return forthwith, in any such case, with a statement of the reasons for so doing, and if on account of death or marriage, the date thereof, if known.

Paragraph 2, section 642 of the postal laws and regulations of 1912, as amended by postmaster general's order No. 8852 will govern the delivery of such mail, except in so far as modified by instructions, from pension agencies not carrying such instructions will be subject fully as heretofore to the directions of said paragraph, which reads as follows:

Letters from a United States pension agency addressed to a pensioner or a payee of the pension (in whole or in part) of another person must be delivered to the addressee or to some member of his or her family specially authorized by him or her to receive them. If, however, the addressee has been declared mentally incompetent they are delivered only to his or her duly appointed guardian. If the addressee, being a pensioner has died, they are to be delivered only to the duly qualified and acting executor or returned to the agency at the expiration of the time named in the card request if there be no such executor or administrator. If the deceased addressee was not a pensioner, but the payee of the pension of another person, they are to be returned to the agency."

Would Revise Constitution.

A convention to revise the Constitution of Pennsylvania is called for in a resolution adopted last week in Philadelphia by the executive and legislative committee named by the last Republican State convention.

This committee is dominated by William Flinn, of Pittsburgh, Roosevelt leader of Pennsylvania, whose friends control the State committees of both the Republican and Washington parties.

Mayor Magee, of Pittsburgh, is the original sponsor of the proposition, and he appeared before the committee to press for its adoption.

Henry G. Wasson, chairman of the Republican State committee, a follower of Flinn, participated in the meeting and concurred in its action.

The resolution adopted sets forth:

"That the platform of the Republican party of Pennsylvania pledges the party to whatever constitutional changes are found necessary to the enactment of the various principles of governmental policy advocated therein and that

"There are pledges contained in said platform which cannot be fully carried into effect without changes in the existing Constitution."

It is declared that the "Constitution is no longer adequate to serve the needs of the people and is a barrier to certain legislation for which there is an evident genuine popular demand."

The resolutions further provide that "it is the sense of the executive and legislative committee that a convention be held to frame a new Constitution for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and to submit the same to the electors for their approval or rejection."

It is set forth that "a committee of three be appointed by the chairman of this committee to draft an act to be presented to the next General Assembly calling and providing for a constitutional convention, the said act to contain provision for the creation of a commission or commissions for the investigation and comparative study of the more compl e phases of the subject and report their findings and recommendations to said convention."

The resolutions also provide that "the committee so appointed is hereby authorized and directed to confer with the Governor and with the various political parties in order that all questions appertaining to the organization and work of said convention may be approached in a nonpartisan spirit."

Mrs. Sophie E. Shriner Dead.

Mrs. Sophie Elizabeth Shriner died last Thursday morning at the home of her son, Rev. Wilford P. Shriner, D. D., pastor of the Eighth Avenue Methodist Episcopal church in Altoona. She was born in Baltimore, Md., on the 28th of July, 1841. For several years she was an invalid, and for the past five months was unable to leave her bed. Besides the son at whose home she died, she is survived by two other children: Robert L. of New York, and Mrs. Charles M. Roy, of Philadelphia. Funeral services were held at the Eighth avenue parsonage on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and the body was taken to Baltimore Monday morning for interment in the family plot in Western cemetery.

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Leave,
Mill Hall for Bellefonte, 8:37 A M., 3:56 and 8:35 P M

BELLEFONTE CENTRAL RAILROAD. On and after Monday, Jan. 25th, 1909 trains will run as follows from the P. R. R. station.

TRAINS TO STATE COLLEGE.

	WESTWARD.	1 A. M.	3 A. M.	5 P. M
Lv.	Bellefonte	‡ 6.30	‡ 10.15	‡ 2.00
	Coleville	6.35	10.0	2.07
	Morris	f 6.38	.....	f 2.12
	Stevens	f 6.43	.....	f 2.17
	Hunters Park	f 6.46	.....	f 2.21
	Fillmore	f 6.50	f 10.34	f 2.26
	Briarly	f 6.55	.....	f 2.32
	Waddles	7.00	10.45	2.35
	Krumrine	f 7.12	.....	f 2.56
	State College	7. 5	11.10	3.20
	Strubles	f 7. 7	.....	.....
	Bloomsdorf	f 7.31	.....	.....
	Pine Grove Mills	7.35	.....	3.40

* Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday. "f" Stop flag

TRAINS FROM STATE COLLEGE.

	EASTWARD	2 A. M.	4 A. M.	
Lv.	Pine Grove Mills	7.35	.....	f 3.20
	Bloomsdorf	f 7.40	.....	.....
	Strubles	f 7.45	.....	3.30
	State College	8.00	11.50	f 5.03
	Krumrine	f 8.07	.....	f 5.00
	Waddles	8.0	1.10	f 5.25
	Briarly	f 8.4	.....	5.27
	Fillmore	f 8.8	1.18	f 5.35
	Hunters Park	f 8.31	.....	f 5.40
	Stevens	f 8.35	.....	f 5.40
	Morris	f 8.37	.....	f 5.40
	Coleville	8.40	1.30	f 5.50
A.	Bellefonte	8.50	1.50	f 4.00

Morning trains from Montandon, Lewisburg, Williamsport Lock Haven and Tyrone connect with train No. 3 and 5 for State College. Trains from trains from Montandon, Lewisburg Williamsport, Lock Haven and Tyrone connect with train No. 5 for State College. Trains from State College connect with Penna. R. R. trains at Bellefonte to points east and west.

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George H. Yarnell, of Zion, was a juror in court this week.

Miss Janet Potter has succeeded Miss Millicent Prince at the S. & H trading stamp store.

Mrs. Andrew Engle and little son, Andrew, Jr., of Altoona, are visiting at the Thomas Caldwell home.

Do not wait until the best is gone. Let us help you select an appreciable gift. Wallace Cigar Store. Advt.

The Bellefonte Electric Company has a very pretty Christmas display in the windows of the Olewine Hardware Store.

Miss Letitia Boynton returned to Bellefonte on Friday, last, after an extended visit with friends in Wellsboro and other places.

Edward C. Beezer, of Philipsburg, president of the Philipsburg Brewing Company, was a business visitor in town this week.

The repairs have been completed at the Lingle foundry and the plant will be put into operation on the first of the new year. It is said that about 20 men will be given employment at the start.

The Wallace Cigar Store wishes to announce that samples of Cigars, Pipes and Candies will gladly be delivered to homes for selection upon request. Telephone calls promptly attended to.—Advt.

R. B. Taylor has closed down operations for the winter on his Washington County State highway contract. He is back in Bellefonte directing his various enterprises here.

George Stevenson, of Waddle, road supervisor for Patton township, was in town yesterday conferring with J. C. Gephart, of Clearfield, highway superintendent for this district.

The Rev. Leroy F. Baker, the General Missionary of the Diocese of Harrisburg, Protestant Episcopal church, will be the preacher in St. John's Episcopal church, Bellefonte, on Sunday, December 15th.

Rev. Frances W. Bible will speak in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning. Rev. Dr. G. F. Hawes will deliver the third sermon in the course of Adult sermons on Sunday night.

Frank Crissman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Homer Crissman, of this place, has accepted a position in the office of Yardmaster Graffius, at East Tyrone. Frank is on the job and will make good.

The Basket Shop will hold a special Christmas sale in Petriken Hall, Dec. 14th to Dec. 21st. Open all day and Wednesday and Saturday evenings. The Baskets range in prices from 25cts to $2.00.—Advt.

J. Edward Decker, one of the staff of the Pennsylvania Railroad freight station, was taken ill on Sunday and the services of a physician were required. However, you can't keep the good fellows down, and Ed. is about as usual.

Russel, the little son of Joseph Garbrick, on Monday found a fine gold watch in the street. It was learned that the watch belonged to Mrs. S. C. Burnside, and the honest little finder took pleasure in delivering it to her.

A New York despatch in the Philadelphia "Press" on Tuesday noted the death of Captain Jacob W. Meese, who was a lieutenant in Co. A, 45th Regiment, Penna. Vols., in the Civil war, and a younger brother of the late John Meese, of Bellefonte.

Gilbert A. Beaver, of Yorktown Heights, N. Y., is visiting with his parents, General and Mrs. J. A. Beaver, planning to remain until after Christmas. He will shortly go to Harrisburg to meet Mrs. Beaver and accompany her here.

Word received from Philadelphia is to the effect that Miss Kate D. Shugert who was operated on last week for appendicitis, is in proving nicely and that her general condition is entirely satisfactory. The operation was performed by Dr. Charles H. Frazier.

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DEAR SIRS:—There's a box of Samoset Chocolates down in our store room waiting for a word from you. Call and see my line of Christmas Goods—Fine box goods—Samoset Candies, and a full line of imported nuts, also a full line of fruits of all kinds. We have a complete line of pipes and cigars for the Christmas trade. Call and see me near the Penna. Railroad passenger station.
12-5-4t—Advt. J. S. KEICHLINE.

L. B. Hindman, of White Plains, New York, is visiting with Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Ward, on East Curtin Street. It will be recalled that Mr. Hindman was a number of years ago secretary of the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. He has recently been afflicted with throat trouble and has had several operations performed by the Drs. Mayo, at their sanitarium in Rochester, Minnesota. The last operation was about three weeks ago. He is now resting preparatory to undergoing still another operation in about three months. Before departing for White Plains he will likely visit for a few days with General and Mrs. James A. Beaver.

Logan Long is planning spending the Christmas holidays with his sister, Mrs. Wilbur Housel, in Altoona. If his plans materialize he will go to Philadelphia along about the first of the year and be employed at the Medico-Chi hospital while undergoing treatment for deafness. Logan has been very deaf ever since he was a child and it is to be hoped that the treatment in Philadelphia will result in much good. While a child he had the measles and before he had fully recovered he had the misfortune to fall into a stream. He suffered a severe relapse and the illness finally left him very deaf. He is an industrious young man and is willing to go to the city and work his way along while trying to have his hearing improved.

Mrs. Rebecca Wheeler Dead.

Mrs. Rebecca Wheeler died last Saturday at the home of a sister-in law, Mrs. Wheeler, at Flemington. Her death was hastened by a stroke of paralysis. Deceased was aged about 75 years and was held in high regard by all who knew her. One son, Thomas W. Wheeler, of Milesburg, survives.

Watch for the Vogel minstrel parade at noon today. Advt.

Col. W. F. Reynolds has sold his last year's touring car to a gentleman in Clearfield.

The Dr. R. G. H. Hayes family on Monday took apartments at the Bush House for the winter.

W. D. Port, of Pine Grove Mills, was a juror in court last week and before returning home found time to favor this office with a call.

We know what HE smokes and enjoys. Call over Commercial phone and have samples delivered to your home for selections. Wallace Cigar Store. Under 1st. National Bank.—Advt.

Squire Vinton J. Beckwith, of near Port Matilda, was in town yesterday making his returns as an assessor. Mrs. Beckwith has been quite ill but, we are glad to note, she is much better now and will soon be restored to health.

Mrs. J. Thomas Mitchell on Saturday, last, accompanied little Mary Ammerman to the girls' training school nearby Glen Mills. The child was recently ordered sent to the school, following consideration of her case in the juvenile court.

Contractor Lew Wallace is building a brick stack at the Methodist Episcopal church, which was found to be necessary to get the full benefit from the recently installed heating equipment. The stack is located on the east side of the church building.

Ex-Sheriff W. A. Ishler yesterday removed from East High Street into the Teats property, in Bishop Street, purchased by him some time ago. H. N. Meyer, chief clerk to the County Commissioners, will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Ishler.

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Mrs. E. R. Chambers and daughter, Helen, and son, Isaac, who have been living in Philadelphia since removing from Bellefonte several months ago, this week removed to Chester County. Their home, nearby Kennet Square, has recently been remodeled and repaired and will be occupied by them in the future.

Mrs. Maggie Meiss, No. 1510 Seventeenth Avenue, Altoona, desires information concerning her son, Freddie Meiss born June 24, 1895; fair complexion brown eyes, brown hair, with gray spot on left side of head. He was taken from the Williamsburg Home to the Martinsburg Home and later adopted by a family named Kline in Centre County. Since then no word has been received from him by his mother or brothers. The former is heart-broken and any knowledge forwarded to her will be greatly appreciated.

Two very genial callers at this office last week were Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Stine, of Patton township. It will be recalled that some months ago Mr. Stine met with a most unfortunate accident while working at the Huyett & McNitt lumber camp at Waddle. A circular saw cut one of his arms so badly that amputation was necessary. Most persons would become discouraged under the circumstances, but Mr. Stine is made of different material and he faces the future with just as much confidence as if he still had two arms. Unlike some others Mr. Stine possesses the very best of health, which after all is about the very best thing on earth any man could have.

The officers in charge of the local work of the Salvation Army are soliciting funds and provision in order to give a Christmas dinner to the needy poor of Bellefonte. With the help of a generous-hearted public the officers hope to supply 25 worthy families with a nice basket of provision early on Christmas morning and in time to be cooked for dinner. A canvass of the town is being made for both money and articles of food, and it is hoped that the returns will be of a most liberal character. The baskets will make up a supply of meat, potatoes, bread, apples, vegetables, canned fruit, celery, pies, coffee and also some good Christmas reading matter. The local headquarters of the Salvation Army are at 114 East High Street.

The State Department of Health will have an exhibit in the Grand Jury room at the Court House from December 16th to 23rd, showing the work being done by the department to treat and check tuberculosis in Pennsylvania. On the evening of Friday, December 19th there will be a public lecture on the subject in the Court House, to be delivered by probably Dr. Miller, of the State Health Department, who will be in charge of the exhibit. Admission to both the exhibit and the lecture will be free. The exhibit has been submitted at Washington, Philadelphia and other places. It has been arranged with considerable care and affords one a very good idea of the spendid work being done by the State along this line.

Captain William H. Brown and Lieutenants Richard Taylor and J. Linn Blackford, officers of Company L, Twelfth Regiment, were in Lewisburg yesterday in attendance upon a meeting of officers of the several companies in the regiment for instruction by Major Farnsworth, U. S. A., inspector and instructor. The several officers at the meeting were in dress uniforms, without sidearms. Members of Company L are getting things in readiness to attend the inauguration of President Wilson in Washington in March. The boys hope to make a fine showing in the inaugural parade, as has always been done by the Bellefonte company at inaugurations in years gone by. Company L, as is shown by the official announcement, made a splendid showing at the inspection while in camp at Gettysburg during the summer, and scored an average which ties the company with Company K, of Sunbury, for first place in the Twelfth Regiment. Company L won a marking of 100 for personal appearance, 100 for books and papers, and 95 for care and preparation, making an average of 98.34. The announcement of the record scored by Company L was not only pleasing to the members but also to the people of Bellefonte and Centre County. The personnel of Company L has steadily been improving until now the standard is all that could be desired. The officers of the company were warmly complimented by the inspector at camp for the showing made there. Proud of this record, the members of the Company are anxious to make the very best showing possible whenthey go to Washington for the inauguration.

Christmas Things That Men Like

Knowing, as we do, the things that men themselves select, we can give you expert aid in you Christmas Choosing. The vast majority of the men who come to these stores the year 'round look upon us as to desirability of style, materials and colorings, knowing our judgment in placing the proper things before them, and this is placed at your service in your Christmas Shopping, and with it, prompt efficient service, and the broadest assurance of your gift pleasing the recipient, as any thing purchased here may be returned by any one to our stores after Xmas and be exchanged or money refunded, without any hesitation or grumbling. Good taste is evident in these scarfs and shirts; sturdy worth and fine appearance in every pair of gloves; warmth, comfort, good looks in every sweater, lounging robe, smoking jacket, or bath robe. And so through the wide variety of things appropriate for gifts, there is the ring of soundness, satisfaction, sterling worth, and highest point of style in each.

Gifts that Delighht the Man.

Suggestions—the wide variety you can only know by seeing. Each gift appropriately boxed for Xmas.

UMBRELLAS—In various handles and fabrics $1.00 to $5.00.

PAJAMAS—In Madras, Mercerized, Silk and Cotton, and Pure Silk, Domet and French Flannel, $1.00 to $3.00.

HANDKERCHIEFS—Plain, Initialed and fancy Linen and Silk, 10c to 50c.

HATS—Soft hats, Cloth hats, Derbies in most celebrated makes and new shapes, $1.00 to $4.00

CAPS—Of Cloth for men, boys, for dress, for sport or warmth, 25c to $1.50.

POLO CAPS—In wool and Angora, for motoring or sport, 50c to $1.50.

MACKINAW COATS—In all shades, norfolk or shawl collars. $6.00 to $10.00

FUR CAPS—that will stand severe weather, $2.00 to $7.50.

JEWELRY—Cuff buttons, Scarf pins, Scarf fasteners, in newest designs, 25c. to $3.00.

BATHROOM SLIPPERS—warm and comfortable, $1.00 to $1.50.

FANCY SUSPENDERS, BELTS—25c to $1.50.

COLLARS—Arrow Corliss Coon Collars and Red Men Collars, forty-two different shapes, 15c or two for 25c.

Bath Robes.

Bath Robes in Terry, with Slippers to match $3.50 to $10.00—Blanket Robes $4.00 to $12.50 Children's Bath Robes 6 to 16 sizes, $3.00 to $3.50—House Coats or so called Smoking Jackets, $5.00 to $12.50—Lounging Robes, $10.00 to $20.00.

Christmas Scarfs.

Silk Ties in all shapes, 25c, 50c, $1.00 $1.50. Knitted Ties, 50c, $1.00, $1.50 and upwards. Each tie specially boxed in Holiday Gift boxes without charge. Combination sets Silk Tie and Silk Hose, boxed to match in silk, 50c and $1.00 for the set—combination set Silk Knitted Tie and Hose to match $1.00—combination set Silk Tie, Hose, Handkerchief to match, $1.00 and $1.50.

Shirts

Whitney and Wachusett Shirts, plaited and plain bosoms, $1 and $1.50. Excello Shirts, $1.50 and $2.00 and up. Waverly Shirts 50c. Any grade either with or without, separate collar to match, or soft collar attached. Flannel Shirts, $1 and upwards; blue, gray, tan and white.

Sweaters—without collar, $1 to $6.50, with roll collar, $3 to $8.50. Angora Sweater with collar, $7.50, Imported Scotch Angora Vests, $6.50.

Mufflers—starting at 50c, and running to $3.00.

Suit Cases, Traveling Bags and Trunks—from $1 to $35.

Men's Hosiery—Cotton hose 10c to 25c; Lisle hose, 25c and 50c; Silk Hose, 50c to $1.50; "Getmor" cotton hose, six pair guaranteed six months, $1.00; "Getmor" silk hose, three pair guaranteed 3 months $1.00.

Clothing—Suits $10 to $30; Raincoats $5 to $25; Overcoats $10 to $35.

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TO OUR PATRONS

Both men and women have come to learn that the selections made at a specialty store can never be wrong. Such a store is ours. In every department is offered the best and only the best goods.

NECKWEAR--A rich stock of the latest things in a variety of colors and shapes from 25c. up to $3.

GLOVES--Our Glove stock is one that cannot be surpassed. Fownes dress gloves. Gray suede, mocha and buckskin. Also driving gloves wool and fur lined from 50c. up to $5.

SHIRTS--For business, outing and dress occassions. 50c. up to $2.

HALF HOSE--Best values possible. Pure silk, 50c. Lisle and cotton in all colors, 25c.

SUSPENDERS--All the good sensible kinds. Garters, all the desirable kinds.

HANDKERCHIEFS--A large assortment in linen and silk. Initial and plain from 10c. to 50c.

BATH ROBES--In wool, flannel and toweling with slippers to match from $4 up to $10.

DRESS MUFFLERS--In the famous Bradley make at 50c. $1, $1.50 and $2.

PAJAMAS--In every style a man may desire in the following materials madras, cheviot, flannel and silk from $1 a suit up to $5.

BELTS--Tan and black cowhide 50c. and $1.

LEATHER BAGS & SUIT CASES--In cowhide and seal grain and walrus leathers from $5 up to $15.

UMBRELLAS--Only the Hull make which stands for the best in umbrellas. $1 up to $5.

STEAMER RUGS--Scotch Plaids at $5 and $6.

JEWELRY--Scarf Pins, Cuff Links, Tie Fasteners ranging in price from 25c. to $1.

And nowhere else can you buy such stylish and durable ready to wear clothing, at moderate prices. Sack Suits and Overcoats from $10 up to $30

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